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From humble beginnings...

Local crime lab now high tech

by Susan Warrington Staff Writer

Necessity is the mother of invention, it's been said, and more than 30 years ago the need for local law enforcement to help parents identify possible illegal drugs found in their kids' possession prompted the development of what has become today's Michigan State Police Forensic Lab.

In early 1970, Robert J. Ruddy, a lieutenant in the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, started a forensics lab in the basement of the county courthouse with a few testing kits and microscopes.

In 1979, it was officially taken over by the Michigan State Police. Shortly thereafter, the lab moved to its present location at 103 James Street, where it shared space with the city of Grayling.

At that time, Lt. Robert Stacey was named commander, Sgt. Michael Nowak and Lt. James Besonen were the latent fingerprint specialists, Sgt. James Berglund was the firearms/bomb expert and Carl Lugviel, who came over from

the Grayling lab, was the chemist.

Today the lab has 16 employees.

Detective 1st Lieutenant Kevin

Teddy, who replaced 1st Lt.

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Firearms expert Sgt. Steven Hickman uses the comparison microscope to observe and identify the marks on spent bullets and cartridge casings.

Chamber, United Way join forces on \$20,000 raffle

► Chamber of Commerce and United Way to split fund-raiser proceeds

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and Crawford County United Way are teaming up on a new annual fund-raiser, a \$20,000 raffle that will feature \$35,000 in cash prizes (including the \$20,000 grand prize). The event, to be held in September, will replace the Chamber's \$10,000 Raffle and United Way's CARE Night.

Raffle tickets for the new event are now available at the Chamber Office, or from board members of United Way or the Chamber. Tickets are \$50 each.

Prize awards will include: \$100 (50), \$1,000 (1), \$2,000 (1), \$3,000 (1), \$4,000 (1), \$5,000 (1), and the grand prize of \$20,000.

The 55 prize winners will be drawn and announced at the Chamber's Annual Dinner on September 28 at the Grayling Holiday Inn. The \$50 raffle tickets do not include entrance into the Chamber Dinner. Tickets for the dinner will be \$100 and are not yet available. Raffle winners do not have to be present at the Chamber

Dinner to receive their prize.
The \$100 Chamber Dinner tickets

will admit two. Chamber President Tim Zigila said the dinner will include a meal and live entertainment, plus other events. United Way will conduct its "bucket raffle" at the event, Crawford County UW Director Cindy Timmons said, in addition to other activities.

At future Chamber Dinner events, the Chamber will announce its Citizen of the Year, Athena Award, and Silver Lining Award recipients, which used to be presented at the Chamber's \$10,000 Raffle.

The Chamber and United Way will be splitting the proceeds from the \$20,000 raffle 50/50.

"We as a Chamber have a lot of projects that we will need a significant amount of money for," Zigila said.

One upcoming Chamber of Commerce project involves renovations of the office building the Chamber shares with the Grayling Area Visitors Council. The building is almost 20 years old and was originally built for two people, Zigila said. The office now has a staff of four. The exterior of the building also needs work, Zigila said.

In addition, the building could use a larger meeting room, he said. The current meeting room has a capacity of eight, "We hold 15 meetings a month," Zigila said. "Realistically, we could use some more space."

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Selesky resignation accepted

Amid a swirl of controversy Barbara Selesky resigned from the Commission on Again (COA) board effective January 22. Initially, it was alleged she had a conflict of interest according to the bylaws of the COA. As reported in the Avalanche January 3, Crawford County Assistant Prosecutor David Sabin found the allegation was without merit.

It was subsequently alleged Selesky wanted to move the Senior Center elsewhere. In response to these allegations Selesky said that was not the intent of the discussion. The intent was to begin realistic long term planning for serving the needs of all seniors in the county.

Selesky resigned because she felt the board refused to address the issues of the services needed by the seniors. She said the focus was on her instead of senior needs and with her resignation maybe the focus can get back to the needs of seniors.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners accepted with regrets the resignation of Barbara Selesky from the Commission on Aging board. Scott Hanson, Chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners said, "It's just a shame, a real shame."

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Winter Weather



A blast of winter weather this past weekend caused power outages, accidents, and school cancellations (but provided good conditions for snowmobiling and other winter activities). The Grayling area received about 12 inches of snow over the weekend.

County looks to fill Animal Control Officer position

Crawford County is advertising for a new Animal Control Officer. The position, last filled by Laura Ross, has been vacant since February 16. Currently, sheriff's deputies are helping to cover this area as their staffing allows.

Although there is a need for a full time animal control officer, funding for full time is not available, according to Paul Compo, County Controller.

The position is state certified, which means that the person needs to have completed 80 hours of training with an animal control officer. Although the county would prefer to hire an experienced person, they are willing to send the right person for training.

The animal control officer's primary responsibility will be to enforce the county's animal ordinance. Although the job title is animal control officer, a big part of it is working with the animal's owner so that the particular problem will not recur, whether it is licensing, nuisance complaints, or helping them deal responsibly with their pet.

Applications will be accepted through 4:00 p.m. March 12.

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Local crime lab now high tech

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Edward Moilanen in August 2001, is the director. There are two secretaries, and 13 other employees, including the forensic scientists, who work in the biology and drug analysis labs. State police officers, with forensic science backgrounds, latent fingerprint, serve as firearm/bomb, and polygraph experts.

The lab, one of seven in the state, covers 27 counties in Michigan from Sault Ste Marie to Clare, although occasionally the forensic scientists work on cases from Mt. Pleasant, West Branch, Tawas and other communities outside the assigned region. Lab personnel work on eases for all law enforcement agencies, with the majority of their cases coming from counties and cities within their assigned area. Occasionally they do assist various federal agencies including the FBI, the DEA and ATF.

Once housed with the City of Grayling offices, the lab now completely fills the building and the annex. The annex contains the water filled shooting tank which allows the firearms examiners to safely fire bullets from a gun which is suspected of being used in the commission of a crime. Recovery of the bullet is done so that the identifying characteristics are not damaged.

The annex stores some of the tools the firearms/ bomb experts use to help them safely defuse bombs, such as a robot and a bomb disposal trailer. In the firearms unit there is a comparison microscope so that tool marks can be matched (for example marks left behind when a pry bar is used to enter a building).

The microscope is also used to compare bullets taken from the crime scene with those test fired in the annex. If the markings of the two bullets match, the weapon can be identified as one used in the commission of a particular crime.

The building also houses a polygraph lab. There are two polygraph experts, each with their own office which houses a desk, a computer and a comfortable looking chair with a few additions in the form of straps containing sensors, which are



The State Police Forensics Lab in Grayling is one of seven labs scattered throughout the state. The Grayling lab assists law enforcement units in 28 counties throughout the northern Lower Peninsula and eastern part of the Upper Peninsula.

hooked up directly to the computer. One of the polygraphers, Ingrid Dean, a forensic artist, was instrumental in helping to solve a rape case by producing a sketch of the rapist based on the victim's testimony. She said approximately 80% of drawing a good sketch is listening carefully to the victim.

The biology lab performs examinations on human body fluids (such as blood, saliva and semen), and other human remains. This lab is also responsible for the examination of biological evidence from the entire Upper Peninsula.

Next to the biology lab is the drug analysis lab which mainly deals with controlled substances. In spite of the name of the lab, they also work on evidence from suspected arsons and occasionally they handle a case involving any poison not commonly lumped into the classification of a drug, although poisons are usually handled by a different forensic lab in the state.

Anne Kidd, who is in charge of the drug analysis lab, said marijuana now only makes up for about 65-70% of their cases. It used to be higher but the increasing popularity of Ecstasy, methamphetamines, and OxyContin has lowered that percentage. Kidd also reported an increase in the use of heroin, morphine, codeine and Ritalin." The cases originate mainly from routine traffic stops and drug trafficking offenses.

fingerprint unit led by Lt. James Besonen works with a variety of processing techniques to develop latent prints on items of evidence.

One process uses ninhydrin, a "tried and true" solution for obtaining fingerprints on paper. It can take a long time to develop the fingerprints with this method in Michigan winters (the process needs heat and high humidity), so several years ago, the Grayling lab was the first in the nation to get a ninhydrin development chamber which develops prints in three minutes.

Because of the success of this chamber, there is now one in each of the seven state police labs in the state. In addition to ninhydrin, there is also a chamber which uses superglue (remember Eddie Murphy in Beverly Hills Cop?) to develop prints on non-porous items rapidly. A newer procedure -- and less messy than superglue -- uses light. The object suspected of holding fingerprints is examined with various wavelengths of light. When one is ASCLD, said all forensic labs are found that leaves the object alone required to be re-accredited by but highlights the fingerprints, they are photographed. All latent prints are photographed and those of good quality are scanned into a computer and compared with the Automated Fingerprint Identification System in an attempt 'to" produce candidates who match the fingerprints.

Unlike the popular show CSI, which always sends a forensic team to the site of a crime, the Grayling lab primarily assists with homicides. Personnel will also go out if specialized assistance is required.

The lab staff trains evidence technicians for all agencies and these trained people respond to the crime scenes. This training is in addition to that received in criminal justice programs or in the state police academy. Training may take two weeks to have them on site in Grayling.

Next door, the four person latent or more and is updated yearly because forensic science is advancing rapidly. All evidence technicians are trained so they are knowledgeable in more than one forensic area but a latent fingerprint expert and a serology (body fluids) expert are usually sent to every crime

> An additional duty of forensic scientists is to testify as expert witnesses in court. This may take a part of a day or several days depending upon the case. Only one forensic scientist in each area (for example drug analysis) is assigned to each case to help maintain the integrity of the evidence. While the scientist is testifying, other cases are on hold. When the scientist returns to work, they not only have the old cases to finish but new cases have continued to pour in, so there is never a lack of work.

The Grayling lab is one of the first labs in the nation accredited by the American Society of Crime Lab Directors. Lt. Teddy, a member of ASCLD every five years. The reaccredidation process includes an extremely stringent inspection and examination of all lab operations ranging from bench examination procedures to housekeeping. None of the inspectors are from Michigan - they come from other states and countries. The Grayling lab will be inspected in March 2002.

Lt. Teddy said he would like to have the lab expand to cover all areas of forensic science including toxicology, questioned documents (forgeries) testing, DNA testing with its integrated data base and (Integrated Ballistics Identification System). Although all of these services are available in the state, he said it would be helpful

Border Patrol training held at Camp Grayling



Guard members training to help Customs, Immigration and Border Patrol services at Michigan's international borders.

LANSING - On Monday, February 25, 2002, 148 members of the Michigan Army National Guard began arriving at Camp Grayling, Michigan to begin training for assignments supporting U.S. Customs, Immigration Naturalization Service (INS) and the Border Patrol. The 148 volunteer members of the Michigan Army Guard are scheduled to support these agencies for 180 days, as part of Operation Noble Eagle, which provides enhanced security of our nation's borders.

This Homeland Defense mission ders. expands operations and assignments the Michigan National Guard has been supporting since the events of September 11, 2001. In addition to the 54 members of the Michigan Guard currently serving at the Ambassador, Blue Water and

International Bridges, the added forces are expected to assist these agencies in screening passenger vehicles, provide aviation support and enhance current operations at these and other locations, as requested.

Deployment of the additional 148 guard members should begin at the end of the first week of March, when they will report to their posts at their respective agency locations.

This mobilization is part of a national initiative to enhance the security of America's northern bor-

While Michigan has been at the forefront of border support operations, current national plans are calling on the National Guard in other northern border states to begin working with Customs, INS and the Border Patrol.



March is American Red Cross Month

Disaster Services Focus

One of the required services of a Red Cross chapter is disaster services. Northern Michigan's most common disaster is the single-family fire. When a house fire occurs, Red Cross is there to provide the immediate food, clothing and shelter needs of those impacted by the fire. Trained volunteers conduct a casework assessment to identify the immediate needs, then makes necessary arrangements. Last year Crawford County had eight fires that impacted twenty-six people, with \$3,638 of direct aid given. All of the aid delivered was a gift from the residents of northern Michigan, who financially supported the local

The American Red Cross is not a government agency and receives no government funds for delivering local services. Without local financial support, such aid could not be given.

Local volunteer Disaster Action Teams are comprised of your neighbors who have completed a 5-part disaster-training program. These courses require a total of approximately 20 hours. Once completed, the volunteer is able to do a variety of tasks from addressing the immediate needs of disaster victims, to damage assessment, to logistical coordination. "One of our greatest challenges is to encourage volunteers to complete the training before the disaster occurs," explains Quin Sutton, Red Cross volunteer disaster coordinator. "We need to respond quickly once a disaster occurs. The training prepares us to do that. People will turn out when a disaster occurs, yet those who are most valuable have completed the necessary training so they can respond and take charge during those critical first few hours."



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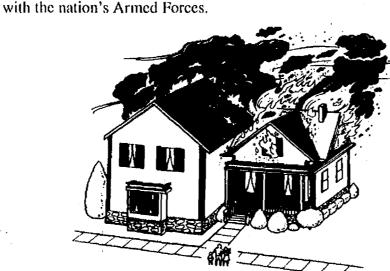
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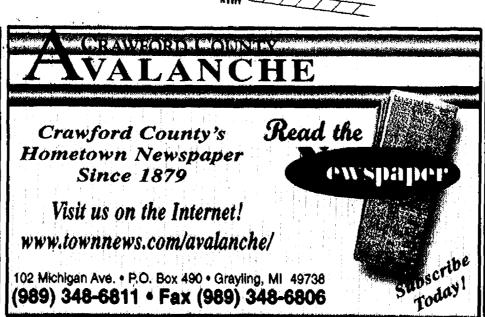
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In addition to responding to local disasters, once a volunteer has responded to at least five local disasters, they become eligible to apply for national level disasters. There have been twelve volunteers from the local chapter who have worked at Ground Zero in New York City since September 11th. Most national disaster assignments are for three

The next disaster training series will be held in Roscommon every Tuesday afternoon from 1-5pm throughout March. Call the Gaylord service center at 732-7161 or 800-691-6059 for details or to register.

Next Week: Learn about the role of Red Cross at Camp Grayling and





Magazine feature helps generate interest in Grayling

► Midwest Living insert promotes biking and canoeing for active families

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and Grayling Area Visitors Council office has received "overwhelming response" from people outside Michigan interested in tourism opportunities in Grayling following a recent feature advertisement appeared in the magazine Midwest Living.

The feature is a full-color ad called "Pedaling and Paddling; Great for Kids" that came as an insert in recent Midwest Living issues (to subscribers only).

"Since this came out, in two weeks, we've had probably 60 individual calls looking for information," said Chamber of Commerce President Tim Zigila.

Zigila said the Chamber and GAVC office has received calls from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Ohio, Indiana, and Missouri as a result of the Midwest Living ad.

This is the third time in the last few years that Grayling has been

featured in *Midwest Living*. A three to four-page article appeared in the magazine in October of 1998, and a winter 1999 issue featured an article on local cross country skiing activities and the area's shopping district.



Pull the kids away from the TV and take them to the great outdoors with this kid-friendly retreat to the north woods of Michigan.

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For more information, contact the Grayling Area Visitors Council at 1-800-937-8837

Grayling was recently featured in this *Midwest Living* magazine insert. The ad has generated over 60 calls in two weeks to the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and Grayling Area Visitors Council, according to the Chamber.

City sets planning and zoning fees

New fees for variance, appeal, & special use requests now in effect

by Calob Casey Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council established a set of fees last Monday for appeal, special use, and variance requests made to the city's Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. The planning and zoning fee schedule went into effect immediately following council approval on February 25.

The fee schedule proposal was composed by the Planning Commission and then recommended to the City Council in February for ratification.

Prior to Monday night's vote, no such fees were in place at the city.

Costs for mandatory document one," said City Manager Allen \$300 (plus costs) for Planned Unit duplication, mailing of notifications, and advertising of meeting times were being absorbed by the city's general fund.

Commission members said the previous system was unfair to city residents since their tax dollars were being used to fund commercial and residential planning and zoning special requests (through the city's general fund), and the new fee system will help offset at least part of the costs associated with such requests.

"If you don't charge the person, then the city pays for it," said Joe Ferrigan of the City Planning Commission.

Many counties, cities, and townships also have similar fee schedules in place for planning and zoning, "We compared fees to Grayling Township, the county, and other cities in the area and took the lowest

"This is a good point to start from," said Mayor Dave Wyman. "We can always adjust the fees later City officials and Planning if need be. The people benefitting will be paying, at least partially, not overyone."

Council members discussed the possibility of establishing a perdiem payment for ZBA and Planning Commission members, but the council did not vote on the issue. The council approved the proposed planning and zoning fee schedule

with a 4-0 vote. The fees include: \$25 for commercial sign permits; \$25 for commercial zoning permits; \$50 for residential ZBA interpretations (\$100 commercial); \$50 for residential ZBA appeals (\$100 commercial); \$100 for ZBA variances (\$200 commercial); \$100 (plus costs) for Planning Commission site plans;

Developments through Planning Commission; \$50 for Planning Commission special use requests (residential), (\$200 commercial); \$200 for Planning Commission rezoning requests; and \$50 per Planning Commission meeting after

The fee schedule also contains a provision allowing the city council to waive fees for "good cause" on the recommendation of the ZBA or Planning Commission.

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Help needed by victim of fire

On February 28, Tonyia Brady's house burned to the ground taking with it everything she owned except the clothes on her back and two of her eight pets.

jobs and has no insurance on either size 6, can be dropped off at the

United Way uses money it raises

to support 17 area agencies and

groups, such as River House

Shelter, Habitat for Humanity, Girls

"Overall, we're really pleased to

participate with the Chamber," said

right direction for us. We look for-

ward to everyone buying up all the

Timmons, "It's a big step in the.

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Scouts, and Boy Scouts.

the house or its contents. Her Animal Shelter of Crawford County remaining pets are temporarily at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County but she needs to find a place to live and other basic necessities Tonyia works several part-time like clothes. Donations for Tonyia,

United Way will continue to con-

duct its annual fund-raising cam-

paign in addition to participating in

the new \$20,000 raffle event. The

raffle will now serve as the fund-

United Way has reached 70 per-

cent of its \$55,000 goal for this sea-

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forces on \$20,000 raffle

Randall Hartley, also resigned

from the COA board in January. When asked if there was any connection with Selesky's resignation, he replied, "no comment."

The two positions on the COA board have not yet been filled. Although the original deadline for filling them was February 7, it has been moved back to March 8.

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ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Gov. Engler again tips balance on MSU board

GOV. JOHN ENGLER has gone and done it again.

In one fell swoop, regardless of the outcome of earlier elections, he has switched the political balance on the Board of Trustees at Michigan State University, his beloved alma mater, in favor of Republicans.

Robert Weiss, Flint Democrat and a 13year veteran of the MSU board, is now a probate judge in Genesee County, courtesy of appointment by Republican Gov. Engler.

To succeed Judge Weiss, the governor named Republican Randall Pittman, Ypsilanti business man.

With Mr. Weiss, the MSU board was evenly divided politically 4-4. With trustee Pittman, it becomes 5-3 Republican.

This is the second election year in a row in which Gov. Engler has maneuvered the partisan tilt at his alma mater's top level.

In 2000, he found a vacancy on the Mackinac Island State Park Authority and offered it to Democrat Bob Traxler. The Mackinac Island board is a high perk, low activity job, considered a plum in capital circles, with lots of prestige and frequent visits to the Mackinac Island paradise.

In Mr. Traxler's stead, Mr. Engler named trustee's job, which draws no salary. Republican Scott Romney, who had to run in the 2000 election and was one of the few Republicans to win a statewide race that

Mr. Pittman doesn't have to run until

WHAT DIFFERENCE does partisan advantage make on a university governing board?

Usually, issues before the board are not partisan in nature and are not made along partisan lines. Mr. Weiss made that point in accepting the judgeship.

An avid Spartan sports fan, Mr. Weiss likely had to overcome other reservations about the job switch -- he might lose impor-

tant benefits such as mingling with coaches and athletes, premier seats at football and basketball games, first-class trips to bowl games and basketball tournaments, and things like that. Those perks come with a

Whether the board is Republican or Democrat makes little difference in the day to day operation of the university. Board decisions usually don't involve partisanship.

However, social and education philosophies do matter, and that's where party background can make big differences.

Republicans tend to think one way, Democrats another.

Democrats tend to have distinct approaches to such things as employee relations, seniority, gay rights, economic theories, spending priorities, and a whole list of other matters that differ sharply from Republican approaches to the same questions.

So while labels are relatively unimportant, background, training and social orientations are. That's where a party majority can make significant differences in decisions the board must make.

WHILE PARTISANSHIP is not too important once on the board, it's vital when running for the office. Whichever party carries the top of the ticket usually carries university board candidates with it.

Nominations to the education boards are made in a disgraceful system. They come at state political conventions and are at the bottom of the agenda -- after platform is adopted, after nominations are made for lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state ... in short, after everything of significance is done.

Much political horse trading frequently forms education tickets: Are there enough women on the ticket? How about minorities? What about geography? Can these nominations help balance a ticket?

Are there political promises that party

leaders can solve with a nomination for a university board? Can the party pay a political debt with a nomination?

These are questions that usually control nominations for education boards, not experience or other qualification. That Michigan winds up with so many qualified and dedicated board members is merely collateral and undeserved benefit.

Partisanship probably cannot be eliminated completely when university governing boards are filled. Appointment might dilute partisanship, but it wouldn't remove it.

How to get the best people in the best way to help govern Michigan's fine universities is a genuine dilemma, begging for solution.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

High school seniors take stage for the last time

To the editor,

It happens so much in small towns, we get to know certain people for certain things. Especially the children of our town, as they grow up to be known for their prowess in football or basketball. Some are known simply for their intelligence, when we hear who the Valedictorian is we kind of shrug our shoulders and say: "Of course, who else would it be?" There are certain things that we just take for granted, Gorski in baseball, Tobin in basketball. it seems like just yesterday we were watching them play Little League

or Redskin and suddenly they are in their last game. We all wonder where the time went. We have an opportunity through high school events to see participants put forth their best efforts and give us memorable moments. They are building a bank of wonderful memories for themselves, but the great thing is, we as a community get to share them. We know that there will be special people to come along in the future, but sometimes we are left so awed by what we see in the present that we wonder if these might be so rare that we'll ever see this brilliance again.

Such an event is going to take place on March 14, 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium where a group of outstanding seniors are going to take to the stage for the last time. It is the last school play, "The Curious Savage," for a group of seniors who helped build this theatre program. Not only the seniors under the lights but a group of outstanding seniors working behind the a huge success, see them in the scenes as well. A lot of these seniors have been doing plays since elementary school, they have charmed us with their grace, awed us with their ability and made us

stand up and cheer. This group of seniors including Gina Rosi, Rachel Ramaswamy, Chris Bass, Jenna Bugyi, Alexis Sumner, Heather LaVecchia, Bridgette Reed, Amanda Boone, Todd Gaffke and a host of others are synonymous with theatre in Grayling. Don't miss this chance to see them one last time, they are the same ones that made "Grease" very funny and heart-warming "The Curious Savage" as well.

> Chad Patterson Grayling

Camp says bill isn't real campaign finance reform

Washington, D.C. – After voting in favor of the Ney amendment on campaign finance reform and against the Shays-Mechan bill, Rep. Dave Camp (R-Midland) made the following statement:

"The Shays-Meehan bill doesn't go far enough for campaign finance reform. It doesn't ban soft money, it empowers special interest groups and it's clearly unconstitutional.

"The Ney amendment that I voted for yesterday (February 13) would have been a far better campaign finance reform plan. While limiting the flow of soft money to national political parties, the Ney amendment would have required full disclosure for groups that spend over \$50,000 for targeted mass communications. Additionally, it would have protected the rights of individuals to participate in a democracy.

"I also supported efforts to start real reform today rather than after 2002 election Unfortunately, the Shays-Meehan backers defeated this measure. Ultimately, I agree that we need campaign finance reform, but the Shays-Meehan bill is flawed."

> U.S. Rep. Dave Camp Michigan's 4th District Washington, D.C.

Awards ceremony was 'wonderful'

To the editor,

Nikki Grewe

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Retail Circulation

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I would just like to share one of the most wonderful experiences I had, two weeks ago at the Grayling High School. I went to an awards assembly. The whole high school student body attended this assembly, freshman through seniors. 1 think that our high school students and faculty should receive a standing ovation and applause. Every person in that auditorium was very supportive of those receiving awards even if they did not. Proudly I can say that I was a mother of one of the students who did receive awards for his accomplishments. I have also attended the

wonderful Veterans Day program which the high school also puts together every year for our community to honor all veterans.

I must say that I again am very impressed as to how respectful and honorable our high school student body is. Some of these students may never receive awards, may never graduate, or may not be the best behaved outside of the school, but they sure are impressive people when they are together as a group. We do have some awesome young adults and great teachers in our school system.

> Mary (Alef) Neal Grayling

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Volunteers make it possible

To the editor,

Last year during March Reading Month, students from Frederic Elementary read over 8,100 books. To get the event started off right this year, all of the students, staff and parents enjoyed a kick-off party: downhill skiing, cross-country skiing, and tubing at Hanson Hills on Friday, March 1. It was an absolutely tremendous day! It would not have been possible unless we had the help of some wonderful people. Those that were beneficial in making the day a success are:

Chad Crawford and the employees at Waste Management of Maple Forest Township: whose generous donation allowed us to take the entire school to the park for the day.

Cindy Olson and the staff at Hanson Hills: The organization and patience that you showed while we were there made the day even that much more enjoyable. The thought of fitting all those

students with skis was a little scary at first, but you did it with ease. We are truly lucky to have such an awesome resource right in our own community.

Deputy Bill Bonkowski helped in teaching students to ski. Because of him, several students now have a new hobby. It was incredible to watch children who had never been on skis before take to the slopes with confi-

Parent and friend volunteers: We would not have been able to do it without you. You may not feel like you did much, but just having you there was a big help.

Last, and certainly not least: The students of Frederic Elementary. Your conduct and behavior was outstanding. You made us all proud. Our new goal for books this year is 8,200 and we know you are up for the chal-

> Kim VanDrese Frederic Elementary School

Stupak votes 'yes' on campaign finance reform legislation

Stupak (D-Menominee) issued the following statement February 14 after casting his vote in support of landmark campaign finance reform legislation, the Shays-Meehan Bill:

"A political action committee is the kind of organization I have when I run for office every two years. Within this committee I raise funds, report the contributions and report how those contribution are spent. This is fair.

"I believe the laws that apply to candidates must also apply to those groups and individuals who seek to influence elections. Let us all -committees formed by candidates and committees formed by special interest groups -- report who is running campaign ads, who paid for them, and where the money came from. Let's have the same limitations on how the money is raised and spent. Everyone would then be playing by the same rules. Shays-Meehan accomplishes this goal.

"One striking example of the kind of campaign abuse this legislation sought to curb occurred in 2000 during the last Republican presidential primaries, when two Texas oilmen spent \$10 million in negative ads against Senator John McCain.

"Shays-Meehan will put an end to the practice of individuals and organizations placing sham ads under the name of some righteous-sounding committee, a process that leaves candidates and the public in the dark about who has placed the ad, how much money was spent, and by

"I obtained the clarification of this point late Wednesday (February

Washington, D.C. – Rep. Bart 13) evening, when I had an opportunity to engage the bill's author, Rep. Marty Meehan of Massachusetts, in what we call a colloquy -- a set of direct questions and answers between members.

"I asked specifically whether the Shays-Meehan proposal allows political action committees (PACs) of labor unions and non-profit organizations such as the Sierra Club or the National Rifle Association to pay for broadcast ads that name a candidate for federal office during the last 60 days of an election cycle. Congressman Meehan said that was true, that such groups were already subject to the Federal Election Campaign Act and would not be affected by Shays-Meehan.

"That clarification removed my last concerns about voting for the Shays-Meehan bill, because it made clear that organizations, whether they represented farmers, veterans, gun owners or any other group, could continue to make their voices heard up to election day.

"As a member of the Commerce Committee, I have recently sat through five congressional hearings on the Enron collapse and I have had an opportunity to get a close-up look at the unbelievable amounts of money funneled into election campaigns by this corporation. This has re-emphasized for me the need for campaign finance reform and the need to place limits on this blatant attempt to buy influence and access.

"I am proud to have voted to support these reforms."

U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak Michigan's 1st District Washington, D.C.

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Local scholarship applications available

Many local individuals, organizations and businesses have generously contributed college scholarships for Grayling High School seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2002. The applications are available in the Grayling High School counseling office. The deadline for most of these scholarships is March 22. The winners will be announced at Senior Honors Night which will be held in May at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium. If you have questions of if your organization wishes to sponsor a scholarship, please contact Teresa Bonamie at the high school counseling office at 344-3512.

Specialist meets with ostomates

MidMichigan Visiting Nurse Support Services will offer consultations for people with ostomies on Tuesday, March 19, from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at MidMichigan Health Park-Houghton Lake, 9249 West Lake City Road. These consultations are free of charge for community members in Roscommon, Missaukee and Crawford Counties. For more information and to make an appointment call (989) 633-1400 or 1-800-862-5002.

Free Hearing/Vision Screening

District Health Department #10 is offering a free hearing/vision screening on Friday, March 18 at the Grayling Headstart Building. This is a free service for children ages 3 through 18. Please call the Health Department for an appointment at 348-7800.

Sheriff Wakefield to attend meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will be attending the Maple Forest Township meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to attend this meeting. He will be there throughout the meeting and, if necessary, will remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

Booster Club announces raffle winners

The Grayling Youth Booster Club 50/50 raffle winners of \$25 each for the week of March 3 were Dotic Harris, Trudy Hawkins, John Alef, and Bill Holton.

Hunters Safety class offered this spring

A special spring "Hunter Safety Training" class is being offered by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources on Sunday, March 24, and Sunday, April 7, 2002. The classes will be held in the MacMullan Conference Center located at the north end of Higgins Lake and will be limited to 40 students due to available space. students must pre-enroll to attend. For additional information or to enroll, call Jim Smith at (989) 348-1202 after 6 p.m.

Elementary students exhibit art work

Grayling Elementary and AuSable Primary will be hosting an Art Exhibition on Saturday, March 9, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the AuSable Primary Cafeteria and gymnasium (entry through AuSable Primary only). On display will be art from pre-kindergarten trough 5th grade, family exhibits, hands-on art centers, and a working artist, Dean Worden.

Lion's club announces winner

The Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle winner of \$300 for week nine is Jerry Gabriel of Grayling.

Grayling Rotary presents show

The Grayling Rotary Minstrel Show entitled "What I Like About Living in Grayling" will take to the stage on Friday, March 8 and Saturday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium, Grayling High School. Presale tickets are available through any Rotarian member or at the door for \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Sorry no reserved seating.

Project Graduation sells cookie dough

The senior class is currently selling cookie dough with proceeds going to Project Graduation. Cookie dough sales will be conducted February 25 through March 11. For more information or to order, please contact Tena Dixon at 348-6405. Don't forget to watch for our Pancake supper at the Lone Pine Restaurant in April.

Local VFW seeks book on servicemen

The VFW is looking for a book printed about 1951 or 1952 with a record of those who served in the armed forces from Grayling and Crawford County. If you know of any original books with this information contact Fay Bovee at (989) 348-7017.

Mini fund raiser for animal shelter

Bring your pets to the Nail Clinic at Northern Tails Pet Salon at 1205 Michigan Avenue in Grayling on March 10 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. All dogs, cats, ferrets, birds, rabbits, guinea pigs, or lizards are welcome to come and get their nails clipped. The cost is \$5 per pet and all proceeds will go to the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. Call Janet at 344-9999 for more information.

Fair board needs vendors/volunteers

Crawford County Fair Board needs vendors for Fair week, July 1 through 7. The charge is \$10 for one day and then \$20 for the rest of the week. Contact Barb at 348-8094. They are also looking for volunteers. They need enthusiastic people that want to make a difference. Call with you ideas. Lend a hand in making the Fair a success. Call Barb Langowski at (989) 348-8094, Cheryl Mier at (989) 348-2454 or Dan King at (989) 348-8094.

Precept Ministries training offered

Precept Ministries International Institute of Training for students, potential leaders, or current leaders will be held Thursday through Friday, April 11-13, at the Gaylord Evangelical Free Church. The registration deadline is March 18 for this Institute. More information may be obtained by calling the church office at (989) 732-2647 or logging on to Precept's website at: www.precept.org.

Masonic Lodge hosts country breakfast

A country breakfast will be served Sunday, March 10 at the Masonic Lodge, 304 Michigan Avenue. All you can eat sausage, eggs, potatoes, pancakes, apple sauce, coffee and/or milk. The cost is \$5 and it will run from 8:30 a.m. to 11:10 am. The public is invited to attend.

Grayling Eagle Auxiliary fish frv

The Grayling Eagle Auxiliary will be hosting a fish fry and chicken strip dinner on March 9 at the Eagle's hall on M-72 just east of town. Fish dinners only are all you can eat. The price is \$5 and the event begins at 4:30 p.m. and ends at 8 p.m.

Covered in clover for MDA

Local businesses and schools are "turning green" because they are supporting the 2002 "Shamrocks Against Dystrophy" Program to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Area bars, restaurants, schools, and businesses are selling green shamrocks for a \$1 donation to MDA, while gold shamrocks sell for a donation of \$5 or more. After the individual signs his/her name on the front, the shamrock is then displayed on walls and/or windows, thus creating a St. Patrick's Day atmosphere.

Dystrophy" Program was established sixteen years ago in Western Michigan and is one of MDA's most successful fund-raisers. This year, support continues with sponsors such as Fabiano Brothers, Marchetti Distributing, Garb-Ko 7-Eleven Citgo Stores, Great Lakes Petroleum, Nash Finch Company and Fick & Sons Petroleum Marketers.

March 17, 2002 St. Patrick's Day, will conclude our Shamrock Program. Proceeds raised from the sale of shamrocks will help support those served throughout North-Central Michigan with one of the forty-three forms of neuromuscular disorders. MDA is proud to continue to offer the most comprehensive Patient Services Program of any US voluntary health agency. These services include a full range of diagnostic and follow up care at the MDA Clinic, a week at Camp Cavell on Lake Huron in Lexington, MDA's "Shamrocks Against Michigan State University, Wayne State University, Support Groups, and funding towards the purchase and repairs of braces and wheelchairs. All services are provided at absolutely no cost to the patient or the family of the patient.

> For more information on "Shamrocks Against Dystrophy" or to have a free kit mailed to you, contact the Saginaw MDA office at (989) 771-9612.

'One block at a time' **Quilters and Builders unite**

opportunity for quilters, individuals, businesses and organizations to unite to raise funds so that brick and mortar builders can use their talents to build a new River House Shelter.

The Button Hole in West Branch, Crocker's Attic in West Branch, The Icehouse Quilt shop in Grayling and Suze's Stichn in Houghton Lake, have all donated materials for this project.

Talented area quilters will sew quilt blocks for donors to purchase at \$25 per quilt block. The donor has the opportunity to memorialize their block with their organization, company or individual name. These purchase a quilt square.

"One Block at at Time" is an single blocks will be sewn together, again by local quilters, into full size quilts which will first be displayed throughout the community and then permanently at River House Shelter's new facility.

> River House will kick off this fundraiser at the 15-year anniversary celebration in honor of our many supporters.

Lunch will be served free of charge from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m on March 11, at the Mercy Center, next to Mercy Hospital in Grayling. The public is encouraged to attend. Contact River House shelter at (989) 348-3169 for information on how to

Become a local Red Cross Disaster Action Team member

The American Red Cross Northern Lower Michigan Chapter, is offering training to become a Red Cross Disaster Action Team member for persons in Crawford, Oscoda and Roscommon Counties next month.

Training will be held on Tuesdays in March, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Higgins Township Fire Hall, 700 S. Fifth Street in Roscommon.

Any interested person over over 18 years of age is welcome to register with the Red Cross office at 1349 S. Otsego Avenue or by calling 1-800-691-6059. Pre-registration is required. There is no course fee.

The Northern Lower Michigan Chapter will provide all training and supplies. Those completing the class will be eligible to join the Red Cross Disaster Action team in their county.

Course participants will learn the basics of disaster service; training will be fast and fun. Certified American Red Cross Instructors will teach the class. The course will cover mass care, damage assessment, and family service.

For more information, contact Preston Long at (989) 732-7161 or 1-800-691-6059.

Research study of residents living in or near national forests

Homeowners in the Huron Manistee National Forest area of Crawford, Oscoda and Ogemaw counties may receive mail from Michigan State University concerning a national study of residents' perceptions of forest fire management, particularly for residential areas in or near national and state

The study is designed to learn

residents who live in areas where fire and fuel management play a central role for local fire departments and state and federal natural resource managers. A random sample of residents was selected to receive a questionnaire that should take approximately 15 minutes to complete. Participation is voluntary but encouraged, so the data will accurately represent the opinions of more about full-time and seasonal—the full range of residents.

Controlled Burn announces lineup

Burn Reading Series continues Wednesday, March 20, with writer Debra Marquart. Her works include a collection of stories, The Hunger Bone: Rock and Roll Stories, which takes elements from her experiences playing music in the American Midwest. She regularly performs poems from her two poetry collections, Everything's a Verb and From

Kate Knapp Johnson arrives on April 17 to help celebrate National Poetry Month. She is the author of When Orchids were Flowers, This Perfect Life, and Wind Somewhere, and Shade. Her works have earned her many literary prizes, including

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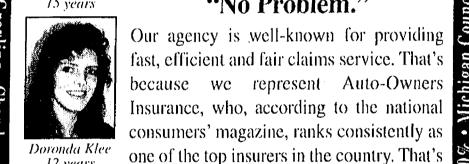


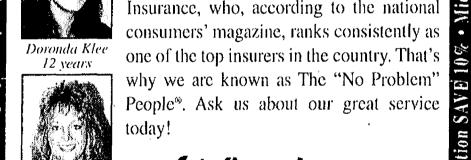


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The following are excerpts of quotes from The Virginia Declaration of Rights:

"A declaration of rights made by the representatives of the good people of Virginia, assembled in full and free convention; which rights do pertain to them and their posterity, as the basis and foundation of government."

"On May 15, 1776, the Virginia Convention "resolved unanimously that the delegates appointed to represent this colony in General Congress be instructed to propose to that respectable body to declare the United Colonies free and independent states . . . [and] that a committee be appointed to prepare a DECLARA» TION OF RIGHTS and . . . plan of gov-

The foundation of our basic freedoms—ernment." R. H. Lee's resolution of June 7, 1776, implemented the first of these resolutions and precipitated the appointment of the committee to draw up the Declaration of Independence; the second proposal was carried out by the framing of Virginia's first state constitution, of which this declaration was an integral part."

(Section 12 guaranteed Freedom of the

"SEC, 12. That the freedom of the press is one of the great bulwarks of liberty and can never be restrained but by despotic governments.'

(Section 16 guaranteed Freedom of Religion)

"SEC. 16. That religion, or the dutywhich we owe to our Creator, and the manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or violence; and therefore all men are equally entitled to the free exercise of religion, according to the dictates of conscience; and that it is the mutual duty of all to practice Christian forbearance, love, and charity toward each other.'

Paul Marshall, a senior fellow at the nonpartisan Center for Religious Freedom at Freedom House in Washington said of the above document: "It's the first legislation that treats different religions equally in the eyes of the state. That was the first time in world history that that had happened." Robert Kravetz, a Fredericksburg resident who is researching the committee's meetings in Fredericksburg from Jan. 13 to Jan. 17, 1777, said much of the document remained largely unchanged from the time Jefferson wrote it until the General Assembly enacted it nine years later. Freedom of religion later became the first right to be included in the First

Amendment to the Constitution. "Some have said it's the liberty that precedes all other liberties," Kravetz said. (Above historical information edited from Kiran Krishamurth, Times-Dispatch Staff writer, and all official documents quotes were taken directly from the Liberty Library of Constitutional Classics,). http://www.constitution.org/liberlib.htm

As Americans we have preserved and given to us a very unique and precious gift. The rest of the world and all of history do not know such freedom. The greatest expression of our gratitude for this freedom is to use it boldly and without fear at every opportunity. You have a choice how you worship. We freely invite you and you are still free to worship with us, Pastor "B"

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"Why, I can picture a lush, garden with a fountain behind an arbor covered with crimson roses. Can't you?" "Yeah, I've seen those landscapers on television do

it, but how are you going to get a garden out of this moss? You'll have to get out the bulldozer." The landscape architect is indeed capable of creative

vision, but Mr. Homeowner is right about one thing. First you've got to plow through the weeds and brambles.

Many of us envision a better future. Indeed, this is the "land of opportunity" and each of us in capable of building a new life. Yet, for our future to be the best possible we must remove the spiritual brambles of fear and self-doubt in order to build upon the foundation of God's assurance. In Exodus 3:17 God says to Moses, "I have promised to bring you up out of your misery into... a land flowing with milk and honey." Imagine that.

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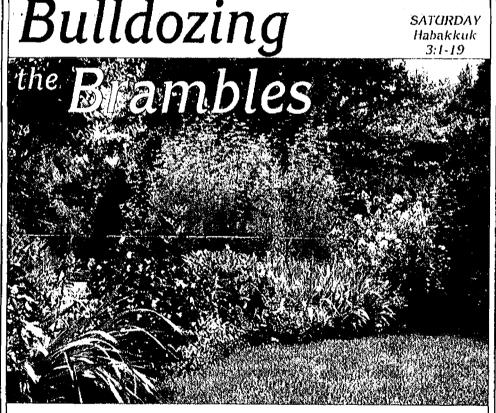
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WEDNESDAY Jonah

THURSDAY Habakkuk

FRIDAY Habakkuk

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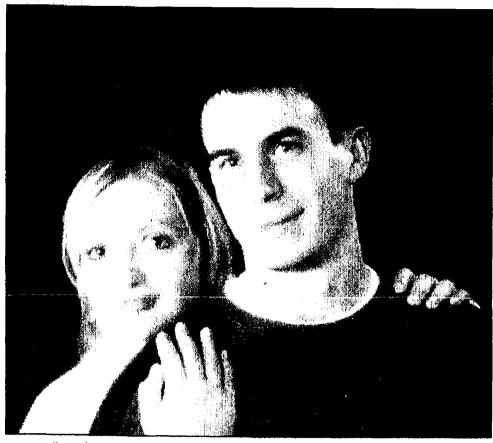
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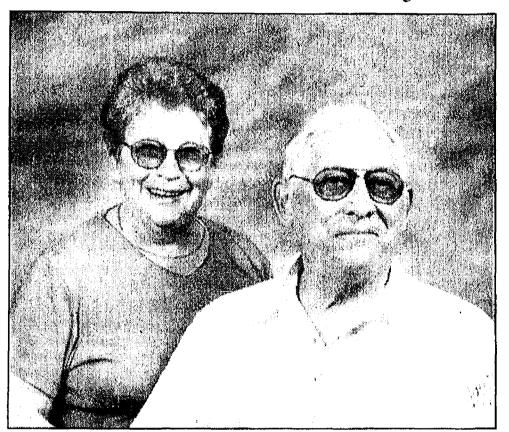
Tobias, McClain engaged



Jamie Lynn Tobias and Cameron Scott McClain

The parents of Jamie Lynn Tobias and Cameron Scott McClain would like to announce their engagement. Jamie is employed by Great Lakes Medical Management and Cameron is employed by McClain and Son construction. They reside at Bear Lake and a May 11 wedding is planned.

Rasmussens celebrate 50 years



Joan and John Rasmussen

John and Joan Rasmussen celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a brunch at the Holiday Inn hosted by their children. The former Joan Harwood and John were married February 23, 1952 at St. Mary's Catholic Church by the Reverend John Breitenstein. They have four children: Joy Rasmussen

and John II both of Grayling, Joel Rasmussen of Grand Rapids and Jason Rasmussen of Bay City. John and Joan also have fifteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Jack is retired from the National Guard and Joan is retired from Bear Archery and Laurine's Department

P.I.T. STOP

Grayling Middle School News

Submitted by the Grayling Middle School Parent Improvement Team

On February 5, the pilot of the Space Shuttle Endeavor, Astronaut Mark Kelly, visited the sixth grade at Grayling Middle School to give a presentation of his mission to the International Space Station. Kelly showed a video of the take off and landing of the shuttle, the inner workings of the space shuttle, and views from space. The students learned about the training required to go into space, weightlessness and its effects on the body, experiments done in space, and an introduction to the Russian Cosmonauts. At the end of the question/answer period, Kelly presented GMS with a commemorative display, including a flag that was on the Endeavor mission. Julie Calkins arranged the presentation.

Congratulations to our seventh and eighth grad band members. They performed at the District Band Festival this past weekend at Elk Rapids and both bands received a II. Both groups put on an excellent performance and did a fine job of representing their school.

March 5, Tuesday night, the middle school choir held its pre-festival concert at the high school. They will represent our school at the District Choir Festival in Gaylord on March 16.

March is reading month for everyone. The more you read, the more you know. The more you know, the smarter you grow. The smarter you grow, the stronger your voice when speaking your mind or making a choice! Try to encourage your child to read each day.

Student led conferences that were held at the Middle School on February 28 were a success. This was a great opportunity for the children to show their parents what is really going on in school. We had a wonderful turn out.

Parents please remember the mid-

dle school teachers and staff really want to hear from you. If you have any questions or concerns call today and set up an appointment to talk to

Per A Carling Market with 1914 and 1914 property with

March 13 we will be taking spring school pictures, so check your child before they leave the

March 14 the Choir Booster Meeting will be held at the Middle School at 7 p.m. There is a lot happening in choir this spring so if you have a child in choir you may want to attend this meeting. The Middle School Choir Festival will be held March 16 and they need volunteers for this trip.

March 21 the Spirit Week Activity Night will be held on this Thursday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. We will need parent volunteers. Please call Shirley Curriston at 348-1348.

March 21 the Viking Band Boosters will be holding their monthly meeting at the middle school. These are always very informative meetings so if your child is in band you should be there to find out about the spring plans.

March 22 and 23 the Middle School Dinner Theater will be held at the AuSable Primary. Watch for tickets sales at Riverland.

March 22 the sixth grade will be taking a PERK trip to the Sportsplex. Make sure your child brings a lunch and parents are always welcome on these trips. Dig out your skates or rent some and come join the fun.

March 26 the seventh graders will be going to the Kaliseum in Kalkaska for a day of fun. Make sure your child brings a lunch and remember that parents are always

welcome on these trips. P.I.T. Meeting will be March 14 at 8:30 a.m. at the middle school. We will be planning Funfest and the garden work we want to get done this spring. We really need your help so stop by and share your

OBITUARIES

Florence M. Weaver Jan. 24, 1907 - Feb. 28, 2002

Florence Margaret Weaver age 95, died at Mercy Hospital, Thursday, February 28. She was born in Darke County, Ohio on January 24, 1907 to Joseph and Elizabeth (Bulcher) Poly. She married Mr. William Donald Weaver on April 20, 1938.

Mrs. Weaver had been a Grayling resident since 1944, having moved here from Union City. She was the owner, operator of Weaver's Gift Shop. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

She loved bowling, crocheting clothing and tablecloths, and enjoyed hunting.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Donald on July 9, 1973 and her daughter Judith Weaver on April 21, 1995.

She is survived by one son: William J. (Jean) Weaver of Grayling, six grandchildren: Patricia Bonamie, William M. Weaver, Tanya K. (Jeff) Wolcott, Pamela A. (Michael) Barr, all of Grayling and Nathan J. (and fiancee Lisa Hathaway) Gibbons of Okemos and Shawn M. (Ann) Gibbons of Eagle, Wisconsin.

She also leaves behind 14 greatgrandchildren: Daniel and Joshua Bonamic, Heather Flowers, Sarah and William C. Weaver, Arica, Ashley, Chelsea, and Zachary Wolcott, Monica and Michael Barr and Jonathan, Gregory, and Elizabeth Gibbons; and two greatgreat-grandchildren, Victoria Flowers and Alanna Bonamie.

A Mass of Christian burial was held Saturday, March 2 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Reverend Robert Nalley officiating. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel,

Card of Thanks

A special thank you for the time and dedication that A.B.W.A. women put forth in hosting Junior Miss, and to the community for the overwhelming support. The program enabled all eleven (11) junior ladies to shine beyond expectations. It was an incredible experience and very much appreciated.

Thanks to God, my family, dance teacher (Mrs. T.) and friends for supporting me throughout my life, I am so grateful. I am fortunate to live in this great community with so many caring individuals. You are the best.

I had the time of my life and look forward to building new memories in the year ahead. Thank you so much!

> In the spirit of Junior Miss, Shayla Marie Moore Grayling Junior Miss 2002

Card of Thanks

Many thanks to our children Joy, John, Joel and Jason who put on our party at the Holiday Inn, for the beautiful flowers and good music.

Thanks to Sara Joan for the beautiful invitations and to my sister Jan Cragg for the delicious cake.

To all the friends who attended and sent beautiful cards, gifts and

All the friends and grandchildren who came from so far, we thank

Thanks to my sister Jerimae Golnick and Patty Legg who was there at the beginning.

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Feb. 22, 1952 - Feb. 20, 2002 Ronald A. Bouse, 49, formerly of Grayling and Detroit, died Wednesday, February 20 at his home in Kalkaska.

Ronald A. Bouse

Mr. Bouse was born on February 22, 1952 to James Reid and June Evelyn (Johnson) Bouse Sr. in Detroit.

He lived in Grayling from 1980 to 2001 where he was the owner and operator of the Country's North Branch Convenience Store. He moved to Kalkaska in August 2001 where he enjoyed fly fishing, hunting and "storytelling,"

He is survived by one daughter: Rebbecca (Nathan) Rivard of Bay City, two grandchildren: Victoria and Luke Rivard, three brothers: Jim R. (Sue) Bouse of Sequim, Washington, Rick (Marie) Bouse of Bowling Green, Kentucky, and Bob (Donna) Bouse of Prescott Valley. Arizona, and one aunt. Barb Bouse of Redford Township.

Memorial services were held on Tuesday, February 26 at First Baptist Church of Livonia with Dr. Bernie Callahan, Pastor, officiating. Burial was at Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi. Memorials to the charity of your choice.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

Genevieve M. Krumrei June 20, 1915 - Feb. 24, 2002

Genevieve M. Krumrei, age 86. of Whitmore Lake, formerly of Grayling, died Sunday, February 24 at Glacier Hills Nursing Center, Ann Arbor.

She was born June 20, 1915 in Dearborn, the daughter of Fred J. and Jessie (Whipple) Nollar. She was married to Harry Krumrei in Ann Arbor.

She had been the owner of Krumrei Beverage Distribution in Grayling for many years. She was a member of the Grayling Eastern

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Harry.

She is survived by a daughter: Susic Greenwood of Duluth, Georgia, one grandson: Thomas Johnston of Whitmore Lake, three great-grandchildren, one greatgreat-grandchild; one Dorothy Van of Bowling Green, Ohio, one sister-in-law Betty Nollar of Whitmore Lake and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. Inurnment took place at Oakwood Mausoleum in Saginaw. Memorial contributions in Mrs. Krumrei's name are suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.

Arrangements by Muchlig Funeral Chapel, Ann Arbor.

Leah M. Mullens February 26, 2002

Leah M. (Miller) Mullens, age 64 of Beaver Creek Township, died Tuesday, February 26. Funeral services will be held in the spring.

Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon

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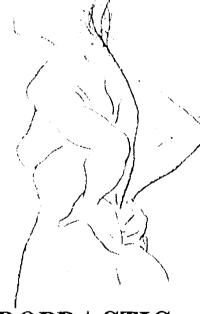
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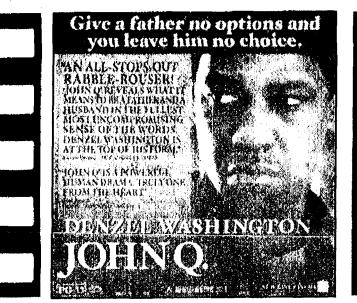
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Western Jazz Quartet to perform at Kirtland Center

The Western Jazz Quartet will CDs in the U.S., Firebird (1992, be performing at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, March 9 at 8 p.m. The Western Jazz Quartet is a resident Music at Western Michigan Firebird being named one of the University.

combines performing and teaching, as they promote jazz music and jazz education through their active schedule of tours, concerts, and workshops. Activities range from performances for school children to concert tours with such artists as Art Farmer, Bob Bobby McFerrin.

The group has released three Community College.

SMR Recordings), Blue Harts (1995), and Sabine's Dance (1999). Both *Firebird* and *Blue* Harts received top reviews in faculty ensemble in the School of Down Beat Magazine, with best of the 1990's. In April of Formed in 1974, the quartet 1996, the quartet was invited to tour Thailand in honor of the 50th anniversary of the king's ascension to the throne.

For ticket reservations call the Kirtland Ticket Office at (989) 275-6777. Don't miss Western Jazz Quartet on Saturday, March 9, 2002 at 8 p.m. at the Kirtland Brookmeyer, Red Rodney, and Center for the Performing Arts on Kirtland the campus at

Kirtland cosmetology students to compete in Chicago

Nine Kirtland cosmetology students and their instructor will travel to Chicago to compete in a variety of hairstyling contests, as a result of a grant from the college's foundation.

KCC Foundation member Bill Gannon, of Gannon Broadcasting, donated the \$2,500 to the Foundation, which in turn approved the grant for the group.

They will compete in four different hairstyling events, including cutting and styling at the Chicago Midwest Beauty Show on March 3. "This is a first for us. I've been here for 15 years and we've never done anything fike this," said Mary Scott-Rom, cosmetology instructor who will accompany the group.

"We have no idea what to expect." There will be people from all over the United States competing. But

our students have really been working at it, doing everything they can to get ready for it.

"The enthusiasm, the excitement. It's just perfect. I'm very proud of them even if they don't take home a

The students: Angelique Bernard, Whittimore; Amber Goodrow, Houghton Lake; Billie Grezeszak, West Branch; Kristy Hanft, West Branch: Kristy Izworski, West Branch; Tanya Johnson, Mio; Emily Maskelis, Comins; Shannon Morgan, Houghton Lake; and Scott Strong, Gaylord.

In related news, the Kirtland Foundation approved a \$2,000 matching grant to the Ms. Club, a campus charity that provides emergency loans and grants to the college's most needy students.

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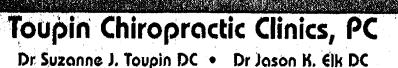
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OMH employees put their money where their heart is

The Otsego Memorial Hospital ing to put their money where their (OMH) Foundation concluded its annual Employee Circle Of Friends Giving Campaign on January 31. Over the past three years the employees at OMH have increased their level of giving more than 500%.

In 1999, there were 14 employees who contributed collectively about \$4,000 to the OMH Foundation. When the 2002 Employee Circle of Friends Campaign concluded this past week, the Foundation had a new record of 149 Hospital employees who collectively contribute more than \$26,000 back to the hospital through the Foundation.

"This is such a phenomenal demonstration of the sincere commitment our employees have to their hospital, their co-workers, and their community," said Foundation Director, Deborah Allen. "So far this year we had 34 new employees join the Foundation, making the total number of employees 149. This should be a strong message to the community that OMH Employees are committed to providing quality health care, and they are will-

All contributions made to the Foundation by employees and other donors are utilized to purchase life saving equipment or support community health education programs, such as children's screenings and women's health programs.

The Hospital Foundation has committed \$50,000 in 2002 to be allocated for equipment purchases for OMH. The Foundation seeks contributions to the hospital from individuals, businesses, and from other Michigan based Foundations and plans to challenge the community to increase their level of annual giving this April during the Community Circle of Friends Campaign.

"It is wonderful to be able to show major donors, other foundations and the community that "we are investing in ourselves. We hope the community will show the same level of support when asked," said Thomas Lemon, president and CEO of Otsego Memorial Hospital, who has been with the organization for two

Senior Companion Program holds monthly meeting

The Senior Companion Program volunteers recently held their monthly in-service at B.J.'s Restaurant in Gaylord. The guest speaker was Cathy Hagen, RN from Otsego Memorial Hospital who spoke on universal precautions and blood born pathogens. Prize winner for the day was Dolores Norton of Grayling. The newsletter and other handouts were distributed. The statewide conference and summer activity were discussed. The Senior Companion Program is sponsored by Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency. If you are interested in becoming a Senior Companion call toll-free 1-877-222-9043, extension 260.

New COOR Technical Education Director named



Harvey Vermeesch

COOR Intermediate School District is pleased to announce Harvey Vermeesch as the new Career and Technical Education Director, effective May 1, 2002.

Vermeesch earned his Bachelor's Technical Education program. degree from Wayne State University in May 1981 and his Master's degree from Central Michigan University in December 1987. He with COOR.

has been employed as Regional Career and Technical Education Director at Iosco RESA for the past ten years and was instrumental in establishing their Career and

Vermeesch will replace Dick Coulter, who will be retiring after 30 1/2 years in education, 27 years

C.O.O.R. is now accepting nominating petitions for board

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Lake Superior State University announces that Ann Hughes, a senior at Grayling High School, has been awarded the President's Room and Board Award commencing with the Fall Semester, 2002.

Anne is the daughter of Donna and Gary Pettyjohn and Kathy and Richard Hughes of Grayling. She will major in science and gerontol-

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Western Michigan University

The following student was a December graduate from Western Michigan University

Andrea J. Sting graduated with a Masters in Public Administration.

KCC appoints new M-TEC **Board member**

Kirtland Community College approved the appointment of Gary Knirk, of Vanderbilt, to the advisory board of M-TEC-Gaylord. A journeyman tool and die maker, Knirk is the director of operations and quality control and engineering at H&H Tube Manufacturing Co. Vanderbilt. He replaces Mike Deerfield, who resigned as a founding member.

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"This is an opportunity for students who have gone through their first two years of education at KCC to stay right there and take all their professional education courses," said Saginaw Valley's Larry Bukowski.

"And unlike a lot of 300- and 400-level courses taught by graduate assistants at many other of universities, these classes all will be

taught by Saginaw Valley professors. And all of them hold either educational specialist or doctorate degrees," Bukowski, said.

The upper-level courses available at Kirtland include the student-teaching portion of the curriculum, and that would be available in Kirtland's four-county district, Bukowski said, adding that students can complete their requirements for a bachelor's degree by just having to take a very few classes at Saginaw Valley.

The program begins next fall. Interested students can visit with Bukowski when he visits Kirtland on March 6, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Room 135 of the Instructional Center.

Domestic violence legislative update

River House Shelter will host, on ... March 25, a domestic violence legislative update in conjunction with the Michigan Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan, the Michigan Department of State Police and Kirtland Community College. The seminar will be held at the Kirtland Community College Auditorium from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m, and is free of charge to attendees.

The areas to be covered included: • Dating relationships under the

Enforcement provisions for out-

of-state protection orders

- Warrantless arrest authority for violation of out-of-state PPO's
- Interstate enforcement of Michigan PPO's
- Standard Domestic Violence incident report form
- Expansion of police policies for domestic violence calls

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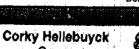
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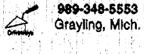






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by Jan Farley

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Wed. March 6 - Swiss Steak/ Chicken Pot Pie; Commodities at St. Mary's back lot from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. only. Hearing clinic by appointment; Exercise and Line dancing at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Stag Crafts at 1 p.m.

Ham; BP's taken 11 a.m. to noon; Out to Lunch gang leaves at 11 a.m. for Panda North and Traverse Mall; Bible Study at 11 a.m.; Adult Ed at 1 p.m. and Uno-Attack game at 5:30 p.m.

Fri. March 8 - Brown Steak; no dinner. Frederic Satellite at 12:30; Pantry Bingo and 80 cent Rummy at

Mon. March 11 - Pepper Steak/ Meatballs; Stag Cards at noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m.; Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

Tue. March 12 - Ham/Chicken Chow Mein; Euchre Club at 1 p.m.; Trivia at 5:30; Grayling Housing Board meets at 6:30.

Wed. March 13 - Beef tips and Noodles/Liver and Onions; Exercise and Line dancing at 10 a.m. and Cards at 12:30; RSVP Cards and 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12:30; RSVP Cards and Crafts at 1 p.m.; Birthday Thu. March 7 - Beef Stew/Baked dinner at 5 p.m. and White Elephant Auction at 5:30 p.m.

> Above all this week remember: "Blessed are they who can laugh at themselves, for they shall never cease to be amused."

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during March 6 through March 12 is as follows:

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March 6 from 10 a.m until 6 p.m., March 7 -9 from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m., and March 12 from 2 p.m until 9

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March 11 and 12 from 7 a.m until

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March 11 and 12 from 7 a.m until

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Road and on the east by Carrier Road:

March 11 and 12 from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m.

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Four generations gather



Scott Hale, Janet Hale, Opal Hamblin and Hailee Hale

Four generations of a local family recently gathered for this photo Holding Hailee is her grandmother

Seated in front is seven month old Hailee Kayleen with her father

Scott Hale, standing, of Hartland. Janet Hale with great-grandmother Opal Hamblin to the right, both of Grayling

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HONORS

Michigan Press Association

. The Michigan Press Association honored three Central Michigan University students at its annual winter meeting in Grand Rapids, including one local student.

David Golnick of Grayling was a recipient of the MPA Foundation's scholarship for graduating high school seniors who plan careers in journalism.

Golnick, an intern last summer at the Crawford County Avalanche in Grayling, is a first-year CMU stu-

According to Richard Milliman, president of the MPA Foundation, the matching scholarship program was set up to encourage high school students "to go into the important and satisfying world of community newspapers." Foundation directors, connect with young people to encourage them to consider newspapering as a career, the more effective our appeal can be."

The program is a cooperative arrangement with a Michigan newspaper and the MPA Foundation. The newspaper must be an MPA member. High school officials select a 552-2811.

graduating senior who wants to study journalism. The newspaper hires the student as a paid intern during the summer between high school graduation and the start of college and awards the student a \$1,000 scholarship. Once the student is enrolled either in a four-year college or university or in a community college, the MPA Foundation matches the newspaper's \$1,000 and reimburses the newspaper for its scholarship award.

"The combination of the locally provided scholarship, the foundation award and the salary the student receives from the newspaper, should pay most of a year's tuition at a community college or state-supported university," says Milliman.

If the student and newspaper agree, the internship and scholarhe says, believe that "the sooner we ships may continue for a second year. Golnick plans to return to his hometown paper this summer and will be welcomed back, according to the representative of the paper.

> Graduating seniors interested in the scholarship program should contact Janet Mendler at the Michigan Press Association Foundation, (517)



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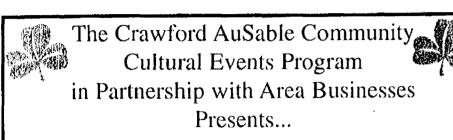
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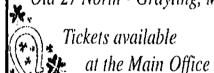


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GHS improvement project to start in spring

The Crawford AuSable School District recently presented architecture drawings of the upcoming improvement project at Grayling High School to the public. The open house also included an introduction to Brenda Hedden, new GHS principal, and an informational meeting for 8th grade students and their par-

District officials described the basic timetable for the GHS improvement project and explained some of the things the project will include.

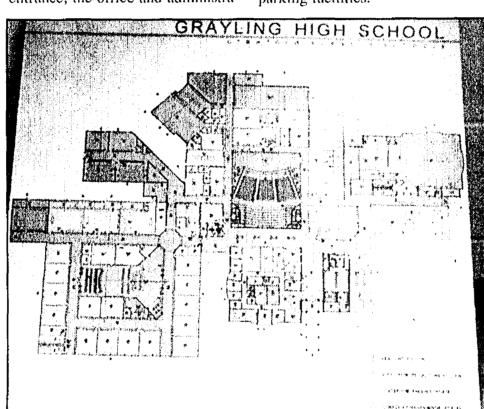
The renovation project will start in the spring of 2002 with remodeling, and work on the new additions will take place during the summers of 2002 and 2003.

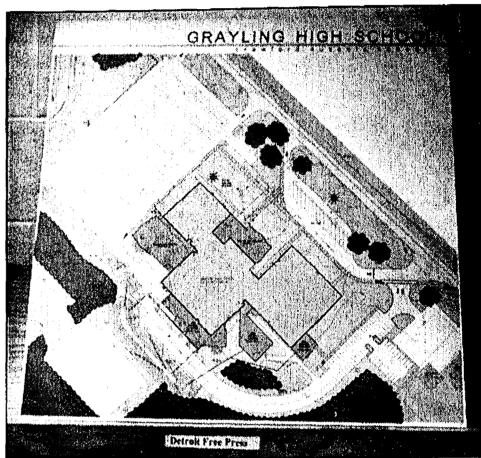
The 18-month construction project will include renovations of: the auditorium (adding seating and a raised roof); the media center (adding a raised roof, windows for natural light, and computer labs); science rooms (updates with new biology labs); business labs (a new addition); art, drafting, journalism, and construction trade departments (expansions); the cafeteria; one entrance; the office and administra-



On February 20, Grayling High School hosted a presentation that included a meeting for 8th grade students and their parents, unveiling of GHS improvement project architecture drawings (below), and an introduction of Brenda Hedden, new GHS principal.

tion area; and some of the school's parking facilities.





An adoption quest - from Kazakhstan to Grayling

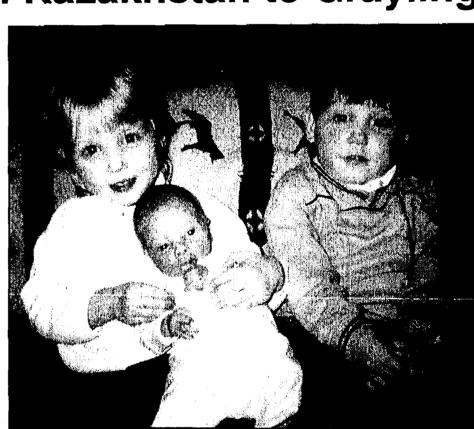
Kevin and Laurie Jamison started their adoption quest in March 2001 through a private adoption firm in Saginaw. In June 2001, they spent a little over two weeks in Kazakhstan (formerly part of the Soviet Union) meeting their new son and daughter, Jordan and Jazlyn. The two-year old twins had been in the orphanage for one year as a result of a house fire.

Surprisingly, the Jamisons learned they were expecting a baby upon their return from this international trip. Justin Nathaniel Jamison was born (5 weeks early) February 9,

The now three-year old twins have settled in very well and are busy expanding their English vocabulary. Laurie said they plan to help Jazlyn and Jordan learn about their heritage as they are growing up.

The Jamisons moved to Grayling in 1994. "The family can't think of a better place to teach children family values, enjoyment of the outdoors, and support in the education and direction for the youth of the community," said Laurie.

The children enjoy time with their grandmothers, Bev Burrick of Manton and Bev Jamison of Capac; great-grandmothers Doris Burrick of Grayling and Wilma Behnke of Emmet; along with many aunts, uncles and cousins.



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The Grayling Police Department breaking and entering, four juvenile complaints;

Two attempt to locate complaints, one assault complaint, six larceny complaints, one city ordinance violations, six alarm complaints, five animal control complaints, seven traffic warnings, nine suspicious situations, five assist other departments, and 19 unclassified com-

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Crawford County Sheriff cle fire, two delinquent minors, Department handled the following of February 25 - March 3:

non-traffic accidents, two accident - all other, one school bus inspection, two civil matter disputes - family trouble, seven suspicious situations, one lost and found property, 15 general non-criminal, one vehi-

three false alarm activations, one 92 complaints the one week period criminal sexual assault, two criminal sexual assault 4th degree, one Twenty four traffic accidents, six assault/intimidation/stalking, one burglary/home invasion, four larceny, four public peace/disorderly, 11 health and safety, one conservation, one miscellaneous criminal offense, two driving on revoked/ suspended/refused license.

HOMETOWN NEWS

and weighed eight pounds and 15 ounces. Her parents are Burt and Carrie (Toretta) Partello of Iron

Mountain. Grandparents are Robert P.

Courtney Lynn Partello was born Toretta of Norway and Carolee and on February 7, 2002 at 7:22 p.m. Phil Robbins of Denmark, Wisconsin and Carl and Peggy Partello of Grayling. Great-grand parents are Alva (late H.P.) Torella of Norway, and Suzie and Denzil Rogers of Columbus, Indiana.

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Vikings sweep Roscommon

Varsity squad wins by 18 pts.

► Seniors lead the way in last home game of the '02 boys basketball season

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

The Vikings of Grayling High School defeated Roscommon 77-59 in Grayling last Tuesday in Grayling's final home game of the

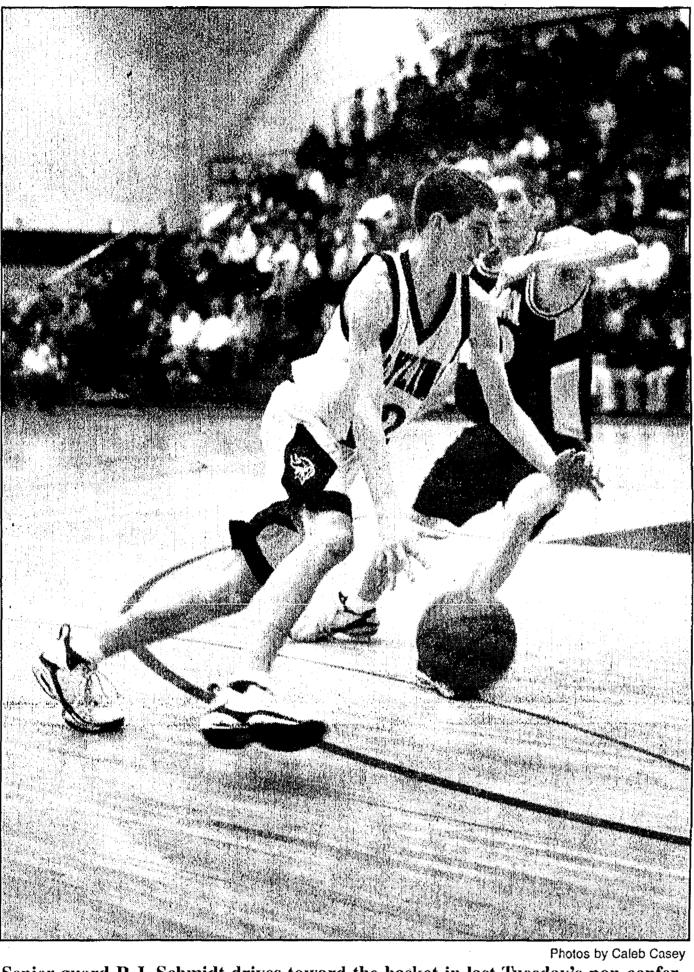
Grayling struggled early, but picked up the pace in the second quarter. Roscommon led 13-8 after one period of play.

First quarter baskets for Grayling included a jump shot by R.J. Schmidt and free throws by Larry Baynham and Ryan Swope.

Grayling scored first in the second quarter with a jumper by Baynham. A drive by Nick D'Amour and a free throw by Baynham tied the score at 13-13. A drive by Schmidt game GHS a twopoint lead.

A three-point play by Roscommon gave the lead back to the Bucks. A jump shot by Joe Lange gave GHS a one-point edge. Two free throws by Roscommon put RHS up by one.

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Senior guard R.J. Schmidt drives toward the basket in last Tuesday's non-conference match against Roscommon in Grayling. Schmidt had 18 points in the 77-59 Grayling win.

JV team wins big vs. Bucks, Owls

► GHS outscores Roscommon 80-21, beats Oscoda 69-37 to finish at 18-2

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

Grayling High School's junior varsity boys basketball team averaged 20 points per quarter while holding Roscommon to 21 points total in a lop-sided Viking win last

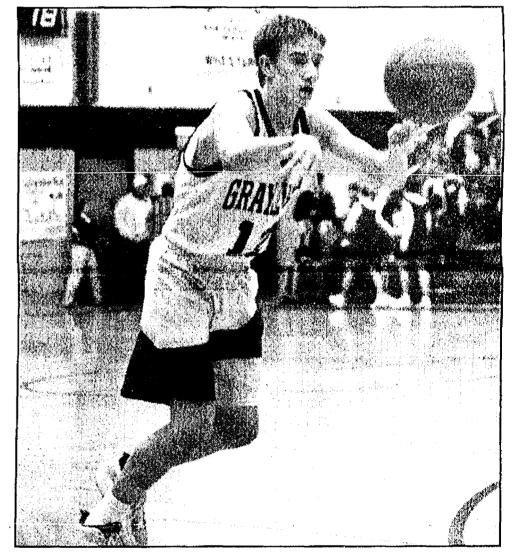
Tuesday in Grayling. On Friday, the Vikings ended their 2002 season with a 69-37 victory at Oscoda.

Against Roscommon, the Vikings jumped out to big lead early.

Grayling's aggressive full court pressure defense forced turnovers and the Vikings converted steals into quick points.

The Vikings outscored the visiting Bucks 16-0 in the first 2:45 of the game.

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Travis Gildner dishes off to a teammate in the JV game vs. Roscommon last week.

GHS wrestler qualifies for State Finals

► Dusty Partello (145) takes 1st at Districts, 3rd at Regionals to qualify

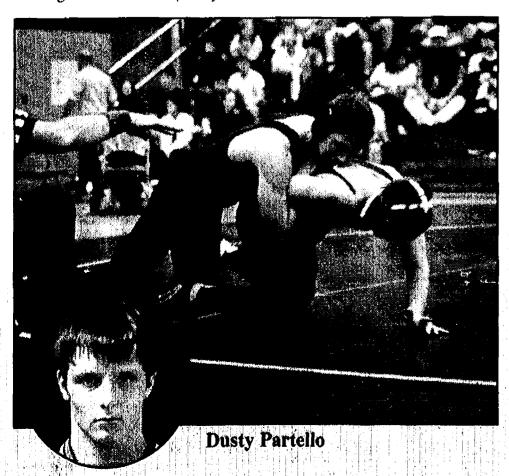
Grayling High School wrestler Dusty Partello recently qualified for the State Wrestling Finals by placing third in his weight class (145) at the Regional Meet in Reed City.

Partello, a sophomore, won his weight class at Districts to qualify for Regionals.

He was the only GHS wrestler to qualify for the State Finals this year.

The State Wrestling Finals will be held at the Palace of Auburn Hills on Thursday, March 7, through Saturday, March 9. Tickets will be available at the door for all sessions.

The finals will feature 896 wrestlers from around the state.



'Junior Cheerleaders' perform at GHS



Photo by Caleb Casey At halftime of last Tuesday's junior varsity boys basketball game in Grayling, over 100 local girls in grades K-5 performed one dance number and several cheers for the sizeable home crowd. The "junior" cheerleaders" were instructed by GHS cheerleaders and cheer team coaches.

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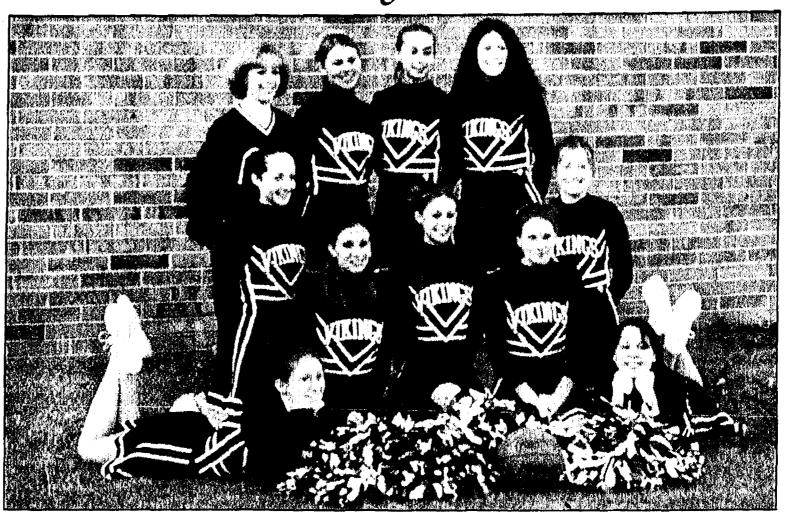
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Two GHS skiers compete at State Ski Finals

Kelly Jansen and Andria Alvarez place 21st and 33rd out of 71 GS skiers

Two Grayling High School skiers Kelly Jansen and Andria Alvarez - were among 71 racers to ski at the Girls State Finals Ski Meet on Monday, February 25.

The two Grayling skiers competed in the giant slalom races only on Marquette Mountain's Rocket Run. The skiers faced tough winter weather for one of the first times this season as cool temperatures and 25 mph gusts of wind hit racers as soon as they left the starting gate.

Jansen's two runs were timed at 36.40 and 34.90 for a total of 71.30 and 21st place.

Alvarez was clocked at 37.51 and 35.74 for a total of 73.25. She placed 33rd.

"Both girls finished in the top half of the event and skied well to get there," said Coach Mike Wieland. "They both had starts heading directly into heavy gusts of wind, which could have affected their finish by several places, but that's part of skiing."

For Jansen, this was her third trip to the State Finals. It was the first for Alvarez.

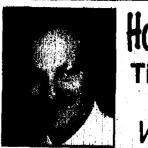
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Varsity squad wins by 18 points

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A jumper by Gibson Tobin put Grayling up 19-18. A put-back by Chet Wheeler put GHS up by three. Schmidt stole the ball and drove in for two. A lay-up by Wheeler on a pass from Schmidt extended Grayling's advantage to seven, 25-

Grayling led 26-22 at the half.

Roscommon scored a two-point bucket to start the third quarter, pulling RHS to within two. A putback by Lange put Grayling back up by four. A free throw by Roscommon cut Grayling's edge to three. A jump shot by Lange gave GHS a 30-25 lead.

Roscommon converted a threepointer, and Grayling answered with a triple by Wheeler. After a free throw by Roscommon, Grayling went on a 9-0 run that included a lay-up by Baynham on long in bounds pass, a three-point play by Schmidt, two free throws by Baynham, and a lay-up by Baynham on an assist from Wes Fox.

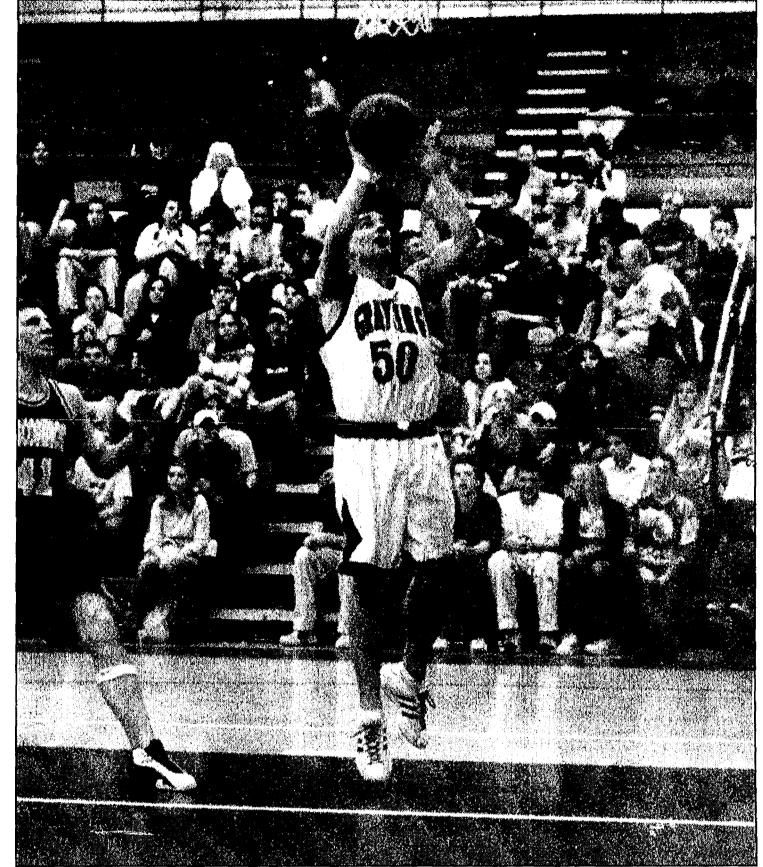
three-point play by Roscommon cut Grayling's lead to 10, 42-32. Free throws by Baynham and Schmidt put Grayling up by 11, 45-34. A free throw by D'Amour and a put-back by Baynham gave Grayling a 12-point lead, 48-36. A shot inside by Swope and a drive by D'Amour put GHS up by 14.

A fast break lay-up by Scott Latusek on a pass from D'Amour gave Grayling a 54-39 lead. Two free throws by Roscommon in the final seconds of the third quarter left Grayling's lead at 13 going into the fourth period.

Grayling opened the quarter with a drive by Tobin. A jumper and a three-point play by Schmidt put GHS up by 18.

Ahead by 15 with about six minutes to play, GHS scored nine unanswered points to take a 70-46 lead. The run included six free throws by D'Amour (on six attempts), a free throw by Swope, and a steal and drive by Schmidt.

Grayling scored seven more points down the stretch on jumpers



Photos by Caleb Casey

Ryan Swope takes a shot underneath the basket in last Tuesday's varsity game vs. the Roscommon Bucks in Grayling.

by Adam Kaiser and Nate Frankina better in the second half and did a and free throws by Chris Wakeley, good job of running in transition." game at the offensive end of the Lange, and Frankina.

The Vikings won by a final score of 77-59.

"We started out of the gates slow, but I thought our pressure at the defensive end of the court was a huge factor in this game," said Coach Rich Moffit. "We boarded

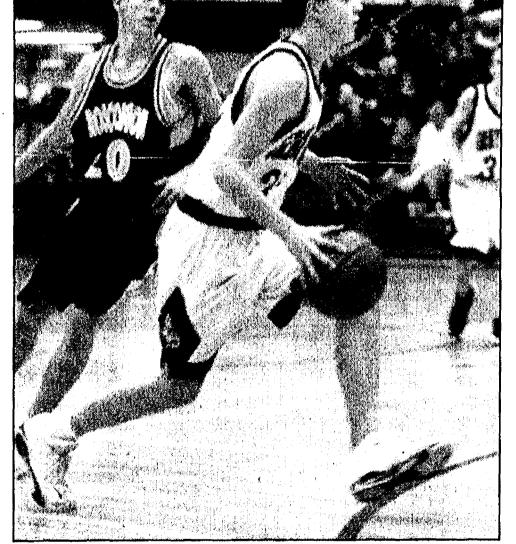
"This was great for our seniors playing their last time before the home crowd at GHS. Our senior group has been a fun group to watch this year. They have worked their tails off in practice and they have represented the Crawford AuSable school system well on and off the court. They are a class act."

Schmidt, a senior, scored 18 points for Grayling Roscommon. Baynham, also a senior, had 15 points and led the team in rebounds with eight. D'Amour, a senior, had 11 points. Tobin had eight assists and Schmidt finished with four steals.

Grayling out-rebounded the Bucks 34-25 overall in a physical game. The teams shot a combined 76 free throws in the match. Grayling hit 26 of 41 (63%) and Roscommon converted 24 of 35

On Friday, the Vikings lost to the Oscoda Owls at Oscoda 59-41.

Schmidt led GHS in scoring with 19 points. Frankina had seven rebounds, Tobin finished with four assists, and Schmidt posted four



Chet Wheeler brings the ball up for Grayling in the Roscommon game last week.

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"We struggled throughout the court," said Coach Moffit. "We did not play with the same character that we have played with during the season. We have to regroup and get ready for Districts."

The Vikings start post-season play this week with the District Tournament.

The varsity squad finished the regular season with a 10-10 overall record and a 7-7 league mark.

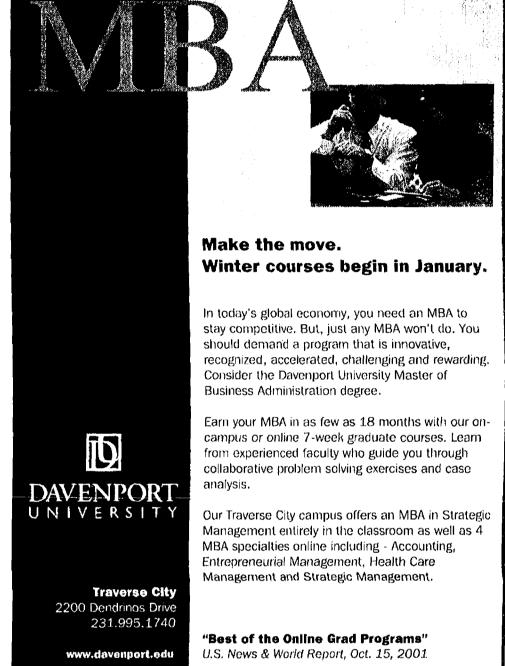
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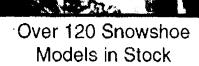
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KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

Mens Team

ST. CLAIR – Once upon a time, Kirtland coach Glen Donahue thought he had a very good basketball team on his hands. But somehow, the season has turned into a fairy tale with an unhappy ending.

A few weeks ago, making the Michigan Community College Athletic Association post-season tournament seemed like a dead certainty to the Firebirds. Now they're just dead.

A 116-94 loss Saturday at St. Clair finished off any chances the Firebirds entertained for a post-season berth.

"We scored 94 points and it wasn't even close. We got hammered," Donahue said, shaking his head. "We didn't play any defense at all."

But they had enough offense to win, supplied by four players in double figures. Monte Tucker scored 23 points before fouling out of the game with about five minutes to play. Levi Burkett had 12, Mario Collins had 11 and Dmitry Popov had 10.

Greg Graham had 22 and Germaine Johnson had 19 for St. Clair, which featured five players in double figures. St. Clair improved to 6-6 and 12-13.

After a 5-1 start to the season, the

Firebirds fell to 13-13 overall, and 4-8 in the league heading into Wednesday's game against visiting Alpena, the finale to the conference schedule.

Kirtland will compete in the Region XII Tournament in Cincinnati March 5-7.

ROSCOMMON – Statistics don't lie, and Kirtland coach Glen Donahue wasn't about to stretch the truth.

He knew that playing six men against 15 Wednesday night against archrival Alpena would be a challenge. And he acknowledged that in the end, fatigue probably cost the Firebirds in a 56-53 loss despite a valiant effort.

"Look at our shooting," he said.
"We were 23 of 62 from the field, we made just two shots of 11 from the three-point range, and we were five of 12 from the free throw line."

With seven players benched and not in uniform for violating team rules, five players logged most of the playing time: Mario Collins, Vaughan Gray and Jake Milarch on the perimeter and Monte Tucker and Doug Moyer inside.

Collins, Tucker and Moyer have been starters all year, and Gray and Milarch have seen substantial playing time. The sixth player dressed was Dan Petras, who as a walk-on saw very limited action this season and played just five minutes Wednesday. Collins and Gray

played the full 40 minutes.

"I'm sure fatigue was a factor,"

Donahue said, after reciting the statistics, "but I thought even without the depth we competed hard."

Indeed, even as Alpena tried to use its depth advantage by substituting early and often, Kirtland held a 30-23 halftime edge.

The Firebirds hung on to the lead until late in the second half, and even had a chance to tie in the final seconds, but Collins' shot was blocked just before the final horn sounded.

Moyer and Gray each scored 15 points for Kirtland, which fell to 4-9 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association and 13-14 overall after the conference

Finale for both teams.

Erik Parker scored 14 points to lead Alpena, 5-8 and 14-13.

LONDON, Ontario – Monte Tucker had 27 points and nine rebounds and Mario Collins had 17 Saturday to pace Kirtland to a 66-60 win over Fanshawe in a nonconference game.

The win snaps a three-game losing streak for the Firebirds, 14-14 over all.

Their season continues with the Region XII Tournament at Cincinnati.

<u>Womens Team</u>

ST. CLAIR – Jimmy Parker is starting to sound like a vaudeville comic resorting to the same old joke, as in, "Stop me if you've heard this one before..."

His punch lines are all-too-familiar, and they long ago lost their humor.

Against St. Clair on Saturday, two points. they recycled the one about "I could crooked shooting from the free-throw line, which cost the Lady ed this gan Firebirds their seventh loss in eight games. The final was 72-67. The three

"We played a fairly good game," Parker said, "but we missed three free throws down the stretch."

But it was Kirtland's inability to match up with St. Clair on the inside that caused trouble the entire game.

said. "We just didn't have the muscle inside. But other than that, we played really good defense."

"Their size got to us," Parker

Becca Miller scored 29 points and Brandi Bates added 18, with 16 rebounds, for Kirtland.

Melissa Treppa scored 19 to lead St. Clair, 5-7 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association and 11-13 overall.

The loss climinated Kirtland from state tournament contention.

ROSCOMMON – In a story that would rival the old basketball movie, "Hoosiers," about an undermanned team winning against unbelievable odds, Kirtland's Lady Firebirds gave a packed house at the CRAF Center a game worth remembering Wednesday night.

With three players benched for a violation of team rules, the Lady

Firebirds dressed only six players, five of them were injured or ill. Hannah Miller played with a heavily taped left wrist, her first action since injuring it a month earlier; Brandi Bates still had soreness in an ankle she badly sprained in early January; Becca Miller was playing her third game with badly bruised ribs, and during the game she strained a thigh muscle; Amy Jordan could hardly breath because of congestion believed to be bronchitis; and Arica Wolcott played on a very sore back. Only Megan Hardy was healthy among them.

And they responded with a remarkable 93-78 victory over an archrival that left several Alpena players on the sidelines in tears. But the Lady Lumberjacks were doing plenty of laughing "and trash talking" during the game, Hannah Miller said.

"Oh yeah. They saw we only had six players and they thought it was going to be easy," she said.

And at first, it appeared that way as Alpena raced to a 14-4 lead.

But the Lady Firebirds never faltered. "No one gave up," Hannah Miller said. "We played hard the whole game, and we played smart." Their comeback was deliberate

and unstoppable.
"They shut up real fast," Hannah

Miller recalled.
"I think they knew the game was

over when we came back from 14-4," Coach Jimmy Parker said, describing his team's effort as "the best game I've ever been around. These girls showed what kind of heart they had tonight."

Becca Miller scored 30 points,

Bates had 27 and Hardy had 21. Hannah Miller, the team's top scorer when she was injured, celebrated her 20th birthday by scoring just two points.

"I could care less," she said,

"because we won. We really wanted this game. It was the last one here for Brandi, Megan and me."

The three sophomores plan to

The three sophomores plan to graduate in a few months. All are considering continuing their careers at Rochester College in Rochester Hills.

With one non-conference game left before the regional tournament next month, Kirtland is 11-16 for the season, 4-9 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

Erin Graham had 24 points and Kristin Haley added 18 for Alpena, 2-11 and 4-20.

They play at the Region XII Tournament in Toledo, Ohio, March 5-9.

LONDON, Ontario – Hannah Miller scored 22 points to lead Kirtland to a 68-50 victory Saturday over Fanshawe in a nonconference game. Megan Hardy had 13 and Becca

Miller had 10 for the Lady Firebirds, while Brandi Bates contributed eight points and 14 rebounds. Kirtland improved to 12-16 after its final regular-season game. They're off until the women's Region XII Tournament beginning March 6 in Toledo.

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High Series: J. Arwood, 551; D.

Canfield, 545; K. Louchart, 530.

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Millikin's 15 -1
South Side River Rats 14 -1-
Chemical Bank 14 -12
Custom Interior 10 -1
Rochette's 8 -20
High Series: D. Hollis, 565; B
Nielson, 552; J. Hinds, 542.
High Game: B. Nielson, 221; J
Hinds and Y. Schreiber, 206.

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JV team wins big vs. Bucks, Owls

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The 16-0 run included (in order) a lay-up by Andy Strohpaul on the tip-off play, a lay-up by Strohpaul on a pass from Roy Czapek following a steal, a fast break drive by Czapek, a shot inside by Czapek, jump shots by Joe Zelek and Greg Morrill, and two drives by Zelek.

After a free throw by Roscommon, Grayling scored another nine unanswered points with three buckets by Czapek, a free throw by Phil Armstrong, and a jumper by Chad Helsel.

Roscommon scored a three-point play at the 1:34 mark. Grayling scored the final points of the first quarter on a three-point play by Travis Gildner. The Vikings led 28-4 after eight minutes of play.

An 8-0 run - two fay-ups by Strohpaul and shots inside by Czapek and Zelek - gave GHS a 36-4 lead with 6:30 left in the first half.

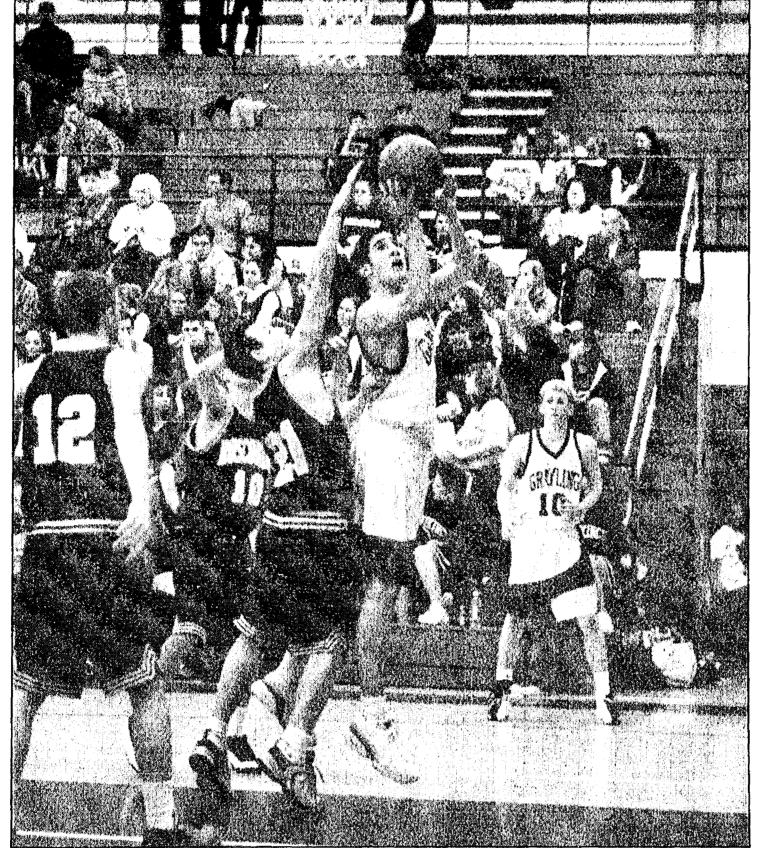
Put-backs by Ryan Davis and Czapek and two free throws by Phil Armstrong gave Grayling a 44-8 advantage. The Vikings took a 52-II lead into the locker room at halftime.

The teams played the entire second half with the mercy rule in effect. The rule allows for a running clock that stops only during timeouts.

Grayling scored 14 points in the third quarter on (in order) a drive by Czapek, a jump shot by Gildner, a put-back by Zelek, a jumper by Strohpaul, two baskets by Czapek, and two free throws by Morrill.

The Vikings led 66-18 going into the fourth period.

Grayling scored another 14 points in the fourth on a shot inside by Zelek, three baskets by Czapek, a fast break lay-up by Strohpaul, two free throws by Czapek, and a shot inside by Armstrong.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Joe Zelek goes up for a shot near the basket in last week's 80-21 victory over the Bucks of

80-21.

Roscommon.

Strohpaul finished with 14.

On Friday, the Vikings defeated

The Vikings won by 59 points, points. Zelek added 16, and the Owls of Oscoda 69-37 to finish the JV team's 2002 season at 18-2. Grayling finished the season with a 12-game winning streak.

Coach Butch Hayes said of the Oscoda game, "The kids never let down. We played hard at both ends. We wanted to end the season playing hard, and we did. This was a

Against Oscoda, Grayling led 17-6 after one quarter and had a 40-20 lead at the half. After a 16-6 third quarter, Grayling led 56-26 heading

The Vikings edged Oscoda 13-11 in the final eight minutes of play to

Czapek had another strong performance on offense, finishing with 22 points. Strohpaul added 14 and



LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS **GRAYLING** TOWNSHIP BOARD **Regular Meeting & Public Hearing** February 13, 2002

Members Present: Tom Hall, Janice Annis, Ruth O'Mara, Monica Ashton, Terry R. Wright.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Teresa and Jamie Bartley. Jerry Hayes, Ed and Marge Martella, George Wolfe, Dixie Lobsinger, Dale French, Cheryll A. Ruley, Joe Ferrigan, John Gardiner. Supervisor Wright opened the meeting at

Motion by O'Mara, second by Ashton, to recess regular meeting and open Public Hearing for Whirlpool Road Special

Assessment District for Paving. Ayes: five, Nays: none, motion carried. Supervisor opened the Public Hearing to determine the necessity of requested improvement (blacktopping) of Whirlpool

Road, Sections 1 and 12, T26N, R3W. Supervisor Wright was notified subsec to the January 9, 2002 meeting that McKinley Beckett has signed the petition, however, it has not been received by the township at this date. His 650 feet of frontage establishes the

51% required to proceed. John (Kevin) Gardiner's signature was added to the petition at the hearing. Mr. Gardiner has 650 feet of frontage, was present and in favor at the previous hearing, but was unaware that his signature was on record

as his employer's agent but not on his personal Whirlpool Road frontage. Mr. Gardiner's signature establishes the 51% of frontage property owners required on the petition whether or not Mr. Beckett's petition is eventually received.

Roy Czapek goes after a loose ball under the basket in last Tuesday's game.

Under Public Act 188 of 1954 (MCLA41.721 et seq), Grayling Township has the obligation of investigating the establishment of such an assessment district. If approved all costs for paving Whirlpool Road would be forwarded by the township, then collected back from eligible property owners over a period of five years. The assessment would be included on annual winter tax statements. The assessment would include a one percent administrative fee.

From the previous hearing (January 2, 2002) we know that neither Michigan State University (WaWaSum), nor the Michigan Department of Natural Resources can be assessed for their lands which border Whirlpool. On January 25, 2002, township legal counsel issued the opinion that residents on Richardson Road should not be assessed without a direct property value benefit which exceeds the amount of individual payments for work on Whirlpool Road. To determine true monetary benefit, if any, for these properties, would be lengthy and expensive under-

The cost estimate for this project is \$157,946.15. Grayling Township and the Crawford County Road Commission intend to budget approximately 50% of that amount leaving an estimated \$90,500.00 to be Special Assessed among 36 owners of 48 parcels.

Correspondence from the following property owners was read and placed on file: Robert Krause, Snow Rd., in favor. David Cozad, Snow Rd. against. Kathleen Trier and Gloria Monk, Shadowland Rd., against. James Austhof, Snow Rd., in favor. Lewis Bird, W. Park Dr., in favor. Bailey Lewis,

No persons spoke in opposition to the proposed project.

Persons speaking in favor or with questions: Teresa and Jamie Barley, Joel Money. Betty Haslem, in favor. Ed Martella, in favor. Pictures of the pothole and washboard and often flooded and other times dusty conditions were shown.

Citizens were instructed that the township board approves creation of a special assessment district then the supervisor will be authorized to draw the assessment roll. Mr. Wright stated he would calculate various formulas and those present at the public hearing of the assessment roll would have the opportunity of commenting on which method they

Motion by Ashton, second by Ashton, to close public hearing and return to regular session. All ayes. (7:28 p.m.)

Motion by O'Mara, second by Annis, to resolve to create a Special Assessment District to defray the costs of blacktopping Whirlpool Road, Sec 1 and 12, T26N, R3W. Also, to instruct supervisor to draw the tentative assessment roll to be presented at public hearing beginning at 6:00 p.m., on March 13, 2002, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall. Ayes; five, Nays; none, motion carried.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance Motion by Hall, second by O'Mara, to approve minutes of January 9, 2002, as pre-

sented. All ayes. Treasurer's Report for January was read

and placed on file. Correspondence: (No action required) Recycling Report, Year end report on woods/water cleanup program, 911 Report for Jan 02. Letter from Sheriff Lovely, Chamber News for Pebruary 02,

"It was a great way to finish,"

great team effort."

into the fourth.

cap a 32-point win.

Gildner scored 10.

Citizens who wish to speak: Jerry Hayes

announced that he will be a candidate for the State Representative for 106th District on the August Primary ballot.

1. Firewise Team-Chief Duane Brooks, \$25,000 in grant funds are available to residents for assistance in making homes wildfire See Avalanche for details. Applications available at the Township Hall. May 1, 2002 filing deadline.

2. Dixie Lobsinger was present on behalf of the Animal Shelter for Crawford County. The Board is requesting assistance in finishing a proposed cat shelter and defraying the deficit from last year. Consensus of the Board to contact M.T.A. legal counsel regarding legal ways to help the animal shelter

3. The Building Department has received a request from the City of Grayling to perform building permit and inspection services. Consensus of the board to allow Joe Ferrigan to draft a proposal for review by the City and

4. Motion by Annis, second by Hall, to authorize split of lot 10 of Millikin's North River Subdivision, according to the provisions of Grayling Township Lot Split Ordinance. A survey and recorded deed are required and legal access easement must be granted to back parcel. Ayes; five, nays, none, motion carried, owner: Garrett Bailey.)

5. Motion by Ashton, second by Hall, to authorize letter of support along with pledge of \$10,000, grant matching funds of NEM-COG "Link Michigan" high speed telecommunications grant application. All aves. motion carried.

6. Motion by Annis, second by O'Mara, to approve payment of claims on vouchers

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Ayes, five, Nays, none, motion carried. 7. Motion to adjourn by Annis, carried. Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.

Grayling Township Clerk

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE **FORECLOSURE**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frances Riemke, a single woman and Timothy A. Freese, a single man, as joint tenants (original mortgagors) to J. Virgil, Inc. DBA Lending Factory, Mortgage Banker, Mortgagee, dated November 3, 2000, and recorded on December 4, 2000 in Liber 524, on Page 107, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the EquiCredit Corporation of America, Assignee by an assignment dated November 7, 2000, which was recorded on October 9, 2001, in Liber 0555, on Page 399, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-NINE THOU-SAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR AND 14/100 dollars (\$39,944.14), including interest at 13.770% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 3, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing 305.6 feet West of the East 1/8 Post of the North 1/8 Line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan; thence Northeasterly along the Centerline of Old M-93, 143 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence Northwesterly 404.3 feet; thence Easterly 76.54 feet; thence Southeasterly 351.0 feet to the Centerline of Old M-93; thence Southwesterly along the Centerline to the Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such

Dated: February 21, 2002 For Information, Please Call: Wolves 248-593-1312 Trott & Trott, P. C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File#200211703 Wolves

-21-28-7-14-21

LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL **PROCEEDINGS**

Meeting held on the 11th day of February, 2002 Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Wyman

at 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: Hayes, Wyman, Moshier, Awiszus, Banda.

Members Absent: None. Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, City Clerk, Terry McGregor, Caleb Casey, Bill Gannon, Ruby

Gill, Tom Wellman. Public Hearing, Zoning Ordinance

Mayor Wyman opened the Public Hearing at 7:31 p.m. There being no comments from a. Grayling Police Report for January b. 911 Activity Report for January 2002.

Approval of Consent Agenda.

c. One Mill Property Tax Cut in 2003. 02-07

Moved by Moshier, supported by Banda to

the audience or written responses Mayor

Wyman closed the Public Hearing at 7:32

ried.

Absent: 0, motion carried.

motion carried.

no action taken.

motion carried.

frame.

New Business.

House Motel.

b. Old Library Use. Discussion was held

on the school using the library property, the

city using the property for a City Hall and

other options. Mr. Gannon spoke on the Bear

Moved by Banda, supported by Hayes to

allow the school to use the building during

construction at the High School, charging no

rent with the school paying for liability cov-

erage on building contents and utilities. Ayes:

4, Nays; 1 (Moshier), Abstain; 0, Absent 0,

c. Planning Fees. This was discussed with

d. M.M.L. Conference March 20, 2002 in

Moved by Hayes, supported by Awiszus to

allow CCTA to use the \$1,000,00 originally

committed to them for a local match for their

"Non Emergency Medical Transport" ser-

vices for the residents of Crawford County.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent 0,

f. Proposed Non-Union Health Benefit.

to accept the proposed payment to non-union

employees in lieu of health insurance bene-

fits. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1 (Banda), Abstain: 0,

g. Industrial Park Update. Council rec-

ommended the Planning Commission to work

on the Grayling Reel Property and include the

site in Master Plan with the stipulation that

sale of property in the expanded industrial

park will create jobs within a reasonable time

a. Request from Ruby Gill for Hospitality

Moved by Banda, supported by Awiszus to

give the Hospitality House Motel sewer ered-

it for the next two quarters to allow Mr. Gill-

time to fix all of his water leaks. Ayes: 5,

Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion car-

b. Fire Department Expenses. Discussion

was held on the city/township share of cost of

expenses. The City Manager will meet with

e. Building Committee Report. Mr.

Gannon would like to meet with the building

committee to see exactly what the city's

current agreement was for 1 year.

needs are for a building.

Frederic, MI 49733.

Agricultural

Commercial

Residential

Timber Cut-Over

Township Clerk

Nancy L. Bindschatel

Industrial

CLASS

Moved by Moshier, supported by Awiszus

Lansing. Kathy Awiszus will let the office

know if she will be able to attend.

e. C.C.T.A. Request.

Absent: 0, motion carried.

Archery property he recently purchased.

approve the consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, motion carried. Moved by Moshier, supported by Awiszus

that the minutes of the meeting of January 26, 2002 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. 02-29

Moved by Hayes, supported by Moshier that the minutes of the meeting of January 28, 2002 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent:0, motion carried.

Old Business.

a. Nuisance Ordinance. 02 - 30

Moved by Moshier, supported by Banda to amend the Nuisance Ordinance as follows:

Section 5: add paragraph B. B. Any city property owner may ask the City Council to determine whether their property qualifies as a forested or natural area. If the Council, by majority vote, determines the

d. Mission Statement. This will be disproperty does qualify, the owner may not cussed at the next meeting. develop the property until such time as the Citizens who wish to speak. Council removes the designation. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion car-

a. Mr. Wellman spoke about concerns he had regarding the skating rink. Mr. Hayes thanked Mr. Wellman, on behalf of the Council, for all of his time and energy he has Moved by Banda, supported by Hayes to spent in getting the skating rink ready for the approve the Nuisance Ordinance as presented. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1 (Moshier), Abstain: 0,

Reports from ZBA, Planning Committee, Parks Committee. None. Reports from Manager and Council

Members. City Manager Reports.

a. A proposed budget adoption schedule was passed to Conneil. This will be adopted at the next meeting.

b. Change Orders on 2000-2001 street project. Moved by Hayes, supported by Moshier to approve change orders with Hunt Bros. Poured Wall, Inc. in the amount of

the amount of \$166,185.58 on the 2000-2001 street project. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. c. Dog Kennels. Have received information from the State and County regarding

\$346,255,45 and Porath Contractors Inc. in

dogs in the city, how many a home may have. d. Trash Hauling Contract. Working with Pat Merrill and will have more information at the next meeting.

e. City Assessing Contract. Will be meeting with an assessor from Traverse City area and will have more information at the next

Council Member Reports,

a. Mr. Hayes found an article in the Avalanche under 69 Years Ago (January 26, 1933) regarding ownership of the Dam in the City. City Council contends that MDOT owns the dam according to the article.

b. Mr. Banda would like to discuss the Income Tax at the next meeting.

C. Mr. Banda would like a report on dif ferent departments as to need on staffing. d. Mr. Wyman asked the status of the credit card for the city.

Adjournment. 02 - 37

Moved by Hayes, supported by Banda that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Abstain: 0, Absent, 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Kay Ellen King City Clerk

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by CHAD E. VENTLANE and NAOMI VENTLINE, husband and wife, whose address is 354 Red Tailed Hawk Loop, Grayling, Michigan 49738 to THE UNITED STATES OF AMER-

FACTOR

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-14-21-28

ICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now known as Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, with its District Office being located at 1501 Cass Street, Suite A, Traverse City, Michigan 49684, the Mortgagee, dated May 12, 1994, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan on May 13, 1994, in Liber 377 of Crawford County Records on Pages 402 through 405, inclusive, the Borrowers on said date having assumed by virtue of a written Assumption Agreement a prior Mortgage obligation from Doris J, Doe to Rural Development, dated September 22, 1989 and recorded September 22, 1989, in Liber 302 of Crawford County Records on Pages 200 through 203, inclusive, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FOURTEEN AND 04/100 (\$62,914.04) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of safe contained in said Mortgage has become oper-

Now Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front lobby of the Crawford County Courthouse located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling and County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Wednesday April 10, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., local time, in the forenoon of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with 6.5 percent interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Lands and premises situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan:

Lot 21, RED WING TERRACE, Township of GRAYLING, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 04 of Plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records. (Also commonly known as 354 Red Tailed Hawk Loop, Grayling, Michigan, 49738; Tax No. 040-45-770-00-021-00.)

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the prop erty is abandoned in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure contact Rural Development (formerly Farmers Home Administration), 240 West Wright Street, West Branch, Michigan 48661, telephone (989) 345-5470, ext.4.

Dated: February 25, 2002 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration

(now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee

Robert J. Zitta (P22749) Attorney for Mortgagee SCHEUERLE & ZITTA 300 Washington Street P. O. Box 212 Grand Haven, MI 49417 (616) 842-1470

-7-14-21-28

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE **FORECLOSURE**

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ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by William H. Parker and Tonya L. Parker husband and wife, signing to waive her dower rights (original mortgagors) to Washington Mutual Bank, FA. Mortgagee, dated November 3, 2000, and recorded on November 20, 2000 in Liber 522, on Page 621, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six thousand Three Hundred Fifty and 77/100 dollars (\$106,350,77), including interest at

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on March 27, 2002.

8.068% per annum.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 7, Block 19 of original Plat of the Village (now city) of Grayling, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 1 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless an affidavit of occupancy or intent to occupy is recorded in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(d) and given to the mortgagee, in which case the redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2002 For Information, Please Call: Falcons 248-593-1313 Trou & Trou, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File #200132501 Palcons

-14-21-28-7-14

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING **CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

The Crawford County Road Commission will be holding a Special Meeting March 13, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648.

Purpose for the meeting is for Labor Negotiations with the Teamsters State, County and Municipal Workers, Local 214, Union Representatives.

Notice posted March 4, 2002.

COMPILED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRAYLING, MICHIGAN **NUISANCE ORDINANCE**

ORDINANCE NO. 02-1

Effective March 1, 2002

An ordinance to prevent, eliminate, or reduce public nuisance in the City of Grayling.

Short Title: This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Nuisance Ordinance." City of Grayling Ordains:

rial used in constructing a structure.

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS "Building Material" roofing material, lumber, bricks, concrete or cinder blocks, plumbing material, electrical wiring or equipment, heating ducts or equipment, shingles, mortar, concrete or cement, nails, screws, other mate-

"Dismantled Vehicle" any motor vehicle, trailer, trailer coach, or motor home that has a part or parts, which is ordinarily a component of that vehicle, removed or missing resulting in the vehicle not being operational.

"Garbage" all refuse from the preparation, use, cooking or storage of any edible item including but not limited to cereal, meat, fish, fowl, fruits or vegetables.

"Junk" material including but not limited to wood, building material, indoor furniture, parts of motor vehicles or, machinery, appliances or equipment.

"Motor Vehicle" a self-propelled vehicle which can legally be operated on highways in the state of Michigan. "Operational Vehicle" a vehicle which is capable of being propelled under its own power or towed as it would in its normal operation.

bulled or towed. "Trash" any material that will be accepted under the City's Residential Waste Collection Service Agreement.

"Trailer" an operational vehicle that requires registration by the Secretary of State and which is designed to be

"Trash Receptacle" a container designed to hold trash and permitted under the City's Residential Waste

Collection Service Agreement, including trash cans, garbage bags, and boxes.

"Vehicle" a motor vehicle or trailer. SECTION 2: TRASH COLLECTION

A. Trash Receptacles. All garbage, that physically fits into a trash receptacle, shall be placed in trash recep-

B. Collection Times. The owner or occupant of any property within the city limits shall place trash receptacles at the roadside no earlier than 12:00 noon on the day preceding the scheduled trash collection day. The owner or occupant shall remove all trash receptacles from the roadside no later than 12:00 midnight of the day the trash is picked up.

C. Penalty for violation of this section shall be \$5.00 per occurrence. Any unpaid fines shall be added to the property tax bill for that property.

SECTION 3: UNSANITARY CONDITIONS

No owner or occupant of any property within the city limits shall permit any condition to exist that the County or State Health Department considers unsanitary or a hazard to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the City of Grayling.

SECTION 4: STRUCTURES A. The owner of property within the City shall not permit the existence of any structure which, because of fire, wind, or other natural disaster, or physical deterioration, is no longer

2. Useful for any purpose for which it is intended.

1. Habitable, if a dwelling, or

B. Any vacant dwelling, garage or other out building shall be kept securely locked, and the windows shall be kept glassed or neatly boarded up to protect from entrance by vandals.

C. Every building or structure which may be erected, placed, enlarged, repaired or kept in the City of Grayling n violation of any state statue, ordinance or regulation made for the prevention of fires, is hereby declared to be a nuisance, and may be abated or removed at the direction of the City Council. SECTION 5: GRASS AND WEEDS.

A. Except in the area in the industrial park south of the railroad tracks and areas that are forested or in a nat-

ural state, grass or weeds may not exceed the height of nine inches.

B. Any city property owner may ask the City Council to determine whether their property qualifies as a forested or natural area. If the Council, by majority vote, determines the property does qualify, the owner may not develop the property until such time as the Council removes the designation.

SECTION 6: VEHICLES Vehicles as defined in this ordinance shall not be stored or parked in the City if they:

1. Have not been licensed within the last twelve months.

2. Are not operational vehicles, or

3. Are a dismantled vehicle.

Exceptions: 1. Vehicles, which are kept as stock and trade of a licensed new or used car, trailer or travel trailer dealer are exempt from the license requirement. 2. Licensed repair facilities may have no more than three vehicles which are kept in violation of this section for

no more than one week each. 3. Vehicles that do not comply with this section shall be securely stored within a building or completely

screened by a six-foot fence. 4. Motor Vehicles which are not required to have a current license plate, such as stock cars and antique vehicles are exempt from the license requirement only.

If the City notifies the owner of the vehicle of the violation, the owner shall have 10 days to correct the violation. If the owner does not correct the violation within 10 days, the city shall have the authority to abate the nuisance by removal and impounding of the vehicle. In addition to any other fines or cost imposed, the owner of the rehicle shall be responsible for towing and impoundment costs.

SECTION 7: JUNK

No person shall be permitted to accumulate junk on any property within the City.

SECTION 8: ENFORCEMENT

The Chief of Police is hereby charged with the enforcement of this Ordinance. Any person who violates any of Sections 3-7 of this Ordinance shall be responsible for a civil infraction under the City of Grayling Municipal Civil

the City notifies the owner or occupant of the violation, the owner or occupant shall have 10 days to correct the violation. If the owner or occupant of the premises does not abate the nuisance, the City shall have the right to abate the nuisance and bill the Owner or Occupant of the property for the cost of the abatement. If the bill is not paid within thirty days, the City may add the delinquent amount to the tax bill for the parcel.

An owner or occupant who is cited under this ordinance may appeal to the City Council, if extenuating circumstances are involved.

SECTION 9: SEVERANCE CLAUSE

If any section or provision of this ordinance shall be held by any court to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not be held to affect any other section or provision thereof.

SECTION 10: REPEAL OF ORDINANCES

The following described ordinances and amendments thereof are hereby repealed: Ordinance No. 22 City Nuisance Ordinance

Ofdinance No. 72-3 City of Grayling Junk Ordinance

Effective Date: Ordinance declared adopted, with effective date to be March 1, 2002, which is in accordance vith the City Charter.

Kay Ellen King

City Clerk

February 11, 2002

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF

CASE 2002-01: STATE OF MICHIGAN, Property owner P.O. Box 30028

> MARK & DEANNE SWIERCZ, agent, prospective purchaser 1379 McMasters Bridge Rd.

LOCATION:

T27N, R2W, Section 32: That part of the SE 1/4 lying E'ly of the E line of Highway 1-75 right-of-way. (140.0 acres). North of Pinecrest Rd. and east of

A request to re-zone from Deferred Development (D-D) to Single Family Residential (R-1 & R-2), General Commercial (C-1) and Light Commercial (C-2) for the purpose of establishing a residential development and small commercial development.

Case files, zoning ordinance and map may be examined at the Grayling Township Hall during normal business hours. Correspondence may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone: 989-348-4361 or FAX 989-348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C. Grayling township Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE

Frederic Township

Board of Review

The Frederic Township Board of Review will meet on Tuesday, March 5.

2002 at 5:00 P.M. to receive and review the 2002 Tax Roll. The Board will

meet on Monday, March 11, 2002 from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. and 6:00

P.M. to 9:00 P.M. and on Saturday March 16, 2002, 9:00 A.M. to 12 Noon

and 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. to accept protest in person from taxpayers.

Protests will also be accepted by mail providing they are received at the

Township Office prior to the last Board of Review session. All sessions

will be held at the Frederic Township Office, 7564 Co. Road 612. Address

protest by mail to Frederic Township Board of Review, P. O. Box 78,

TENTATIVE RATIO

32.89

46.47

48.07

43.53

36.90

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEAR-ING on March 26, 2002, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72 Hwy.), Grayling. The purpose of the hearing is to receive and review public comment regarding the following request:

Lansing, MI 48909

Grayling, MI 49738 PROPERTY CODE: 20-040-44-032-020-00

Wilcox Bridge Rd.

LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE Grayling Township Board of Review

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, Michigan 49738. Telephone: (989) 348-4361.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with tax payers starting at 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 11, 2002, until 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. This year the Board of Review will also be held on Thursday, March 14 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 16 from 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon. Petitioners will be received on a "first-comefirst-served basis" and can also protest by mail

<u>CLASS</u>	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural Commercial Industrial Residential	36.21 41.68 49.66 45.12	1.3808 1.1996 1.0068 1.1082
Industrial	49.66	1.0068

Terry Wright, Supervisor Monica Ashton, Clerk

-21-28-7

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASING **PROPERTY TAXES** TOWNSHIP OF LOVELLS

The Lovells Township Board of the Township of Lovells will hold a public hearing on a proposed increase of .0398 mills in the operating tax millage rate to be levied in 2002.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lovells Township Hall.

The date and location of the meeting to take action on the proposed additional millage will be announced at this public meeting.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenue from ad valorem property taxes .04% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing. If the proposed additional millage rate is not approved the operating revenue will increase by 0% over the preceding year's operating revenue.

In order to maintain basic services of the township, the Township Board proposes to levy an additional mill rate of .0398 mills (.039 cents per thousand sev).

The taxing unit publishing this notice, and identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

This notice is published by:

Township of Lovells 8405 Twin Bridge Road Grayling, MI 49738 (989) 348-9215 (989) 348-6437 Fax

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Old Lake Road Project Crawford County Road Commission Crawford County, Michigan

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, March 14, 2002 at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P. O. Box 648, Grayling, Michigan 49738-0648, for the following:

The project work consists of bituminous mainline and approach paving only. All other work, including grading, crushing and shaping, traffic control and restoration, will be completed by others, and is not part of this contract.

The Instructions To Bidders and the drawings and specifications may be examined at the Crawford County Road Commission offices and also at the office of the engineer, Northwest Design Group, Inc., 480 W Mitchell, Petoskey, Michigan, 49770. Bidding documents may be purchased from the engineer for the non-refundable fee of \$20.00 per set. The Michigan Department of Transportation Standard Specifications For Construction, 1996 edition, is also part of the contract.

Each Bidder shall file a statement signed by, or on behalf of the person, firm, association, or corporation submitting the bid, certifying that such person, firm, association or corporation, has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participating in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action, in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the submitted bid. Failure to submit the signed statement as part of the bid proposal will result in rejection of the bid.

The MDOT contractor prequalification is 13Cb.

The project is subject to 60% limitation on Subcontracting.

A certified check or bidder's bond for a sum not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the proposal will be required with each proposal.

No bid may be withdrawn for 30 days after the bid opening date.

The bidder to whom a contract is awarded will be required to furnish a performance bond and a labor and material payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract amount.

The Crawford County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive defects in bids, and to accept bids and make awards in any manner deemed in its own best interest, in accordance with the 1996 MDOT Standard Specifications for Construction, as amended by supplemental specifications and special provisions contained herein.

The Crawford County Road Commission Mr. Donald Babcock, Managing Director

-21-28-7

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The County of Crawford is requesting proposals for remodeling and conversion of the conference room in Central Dispatch. For details and project specifications contact Paul Compo or Larry Akers at the County Building, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, (989) 348-2841. All bids are to be sealed and submitted to the Controller on or before 4:00 p.m., March 12, 2002, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

TAXPAYERS OF MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

The Maple Forest Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on March 5, 2002 at 9am.

1pm-4pm

The Board of Review will meet with the public on: Mon., March 11, 2002 9am-noon 1pm-4pm

Thurs., March 14, 2002

6pm-9pm

All meetings will be held at the Township Hall, located at 8996 N Sherman Rd.

The purpose of these meetings will be to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, classifications, and to answer any questions pertaining to the tax roll.

CLASSIFICATION	FACTOR	RATIO
Real Property	50.00	1.0000
Agriculture	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Personal	50.00	1.0000
Utilities	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000

Mark D. Kniss Supervisor Maple Forest Township

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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To: Property owners fronting Whirlpool Road, and those property owners who must access Whirlpool Road for ingress and egress to their proper-

Regarding: Special assessment roll for the purpose of paving Whirlpool Road, Sections 1 and 12, T26N, R3W.

On February 13, 2002, the Grayling Township Board, subsequent to a public hearing, resolved to create a Special Assessment District to defray the costs of blacktopping Whirlpool Road.

A second Public Hearing to receive and review comments regarding the tentative special assessment roll for blacktopping of Whirlpool Road will be held Wednesday, March 13, 2002, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72 Hwy.), Grayling.

If any affected property owner believes they will not benefit from the proposed blacktopping, it is important to attend this hearing or forward comments in writing prior to the hearing in order to protect rights of appeal. This hearing will assist in determining the exact properties to be assessed and the amount of each assessment.

Project files and maps are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, during regular business hours. Correspondence may be directed to Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (989) 348-4361 or FAX (989) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C. Grayling Township Clerk

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular Board Meeting commencing at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, March 14, 2002, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P. O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for the following items.

22-A Crushed Gravel

and

23-A Crushed Gravel

Gravel to be made to current M.D.O.T. specifications. Contractor will be required to furnish clay or any material deemed necessary to accommodate the specifications. Cost of furnishing these materials shall be incidental to gravel production and included in the unit price. Material shall be produced and stockpiled at the following location on or before May 15, 2002:

36,000 ton of 22A and 15,000 ton of 23A Crushed gravel produced and stockpiled within the proximity of T25N, R3W, Beaver Creek Township or T26N, R3W, Grayling Township.

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Road Commission for Crawford County at the above address. Bids must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked as "2002 Gravel Bid".

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to add or delete quantities, to waive informalities in the bids and to award the bid deemed. This notice is posted in compliance with PA267 of 1976 as amended,

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners Thomas Perry, Chairman John Hartman, Vice-Chairman Ken Riehle, Commissioner

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BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP BUDGET HEARING

The Bear Lake Township Board will hold a Budget Hearing for all Township Funds for 2002-2003 on Saturday, March 16, 2002 at 10:00

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

The proposed budgets can be viewed at the Community Center on Thursday, March 14, 2002 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. or by calling the clerk at 231-258-4359.

Carol Rosenberg, Clerk

BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING

There will be an ANNUAL MEETING for the electors of BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP on SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. A Special Board meeting of the Township Board will be held immediately after the Annual Meeting to adopt the General Appropriations Act and other Resolutions; and pay year end bills.

Carol Rosenberg, Clerk

CRAWFORD COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING VACANCY NOTICE

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for a position on the Crawford County Commission on Aging through Friday, March 8, 2002 at 4:00 p.m. Applicants are required to be county residents and requested to have a genuine interest in the lives of all seniors within Crawford County. Applications can be obtained and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738

Sandra Moore County Clerk/Register of Deeds March 1, 2002

WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS IN **EFFECT**

As of Monday, February 25, 2002 at 6 a.m. the Crawford County Road Commission has established enforceable weight restrictions for travel on all primary and local roads.

At a minimum, commercial haulers are expected to comply with the Michigan Department of Transportation Standard, which is load reductions of 35%.

Please contact Jed Blaauw, Superintendent at (989) 348-2281, should you be a hauler with a specific question about restricted roads.

This notice is being issued in coordination and cooperation with area road commissions.

By: Donald Babcock, Managing Director For: Thomas Berry, Chairman John Hartman, Vice-Chairman Kenneth Riehle, Commissioner

NOTICE Beaver Creek Township Board of Review

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 5, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 2002 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 11, 2002, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, March 14, 2002, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in

Beaver Creek Township	•		
CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR	
Agricultural	40.26	1.2419	
Commercial	49.72	1.0056	
Industrial	50.00	1.0000	
Residential	46.75	1.0695	
Lee Riley			
Township Supervisor			
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NOTICE City of Grayling **Board of Review**

The Board of Review for the City of Grayling will meet at the City Offices for an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2002 at 7:00 p.m.

The Board of Review for the City of Grayling will meet at the City Offices, 5688 M-72 West, for the purposes of hearing taxpayers on Monday, March 11, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday, March 16, 2002 beginning at 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000
Personal Property	50.00	1.00000

MCLA 41.72(2A) (3). Petitioner will be received on a FIRST COME. FIRST HEARD basis. Protests may also be sent by First Class US Mail.

Larry D. Hunter, MCAE IV City of Grayling Assessor P.O. Box 549 Grayling, MI 49738-0549

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LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago March 8, 1979

For services described as "above and beyond the call of duty," Christopher Wright of Grayling was presented a Citizen's Award by the Sheriff's Department Association at their meeting this past Saturday morning. Chris, who lives on the AuSable River, observed a breaking and entering along the AuSable, contacted the Sheriff Department and continually observed several other B & E attempts until deputies arrived on the scene. The observation and report to the sheriff by the 14-year old ultimately resulted in the apprehension and arrests of a number of individuals involved.

46 Years Ago March 8, 1956

Not a huge crowd but quite a good sized group of skiers and other winter sports enthusiasts were at the Grayling Winter Sports Park over the weekend, Winter Sports President Russell Carison reports. He stated that ski tows would be kept operating weekends as long as the snow lasted and the crowd of skiers warranted it. Likewise tobogganing and skating can be continued to be enjoyed as long as the ice holds. The toboggan runs and skating rink will not be rebuilt, however, if they fall victim to

a thaw. Friday, March 2nd, Superintendent Amble and the Board of Education from Harrison and Superintendent Bray and the Board of Education from Boyne City spent the afternoon inspecting the new gymnasium-auditorium and the

remodeling project in the old gym. Both groups are interested in remodeling their present gyms into classrooms and building new ones.

This makes at least six groups of School Board members who have come to Grayling to see the building with the idea of using it as a model. One Superintendent said, "This building has made quite a reputation for Grayling." They all have said that it is the finest building of its kind they have seen in northern Michigan.

69 Years Ago

March 8, 1933

The most hotly contested basketball tournament in at least a school generation was run off for fans from eleven communities as the teams clashed in the local high school last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Ten games produced the best competition that has developed here in some time and thrilled the packed bleachers and balconies. District tournament No. 38, came through a Depression period with a display of real pre-Depression enthusiasm. In the rounds of tournament play Grayling High came through to capture the class C laurels and Johannesburg survived three games to take the Class D trophies. Gaylord was the Class C second place team, while McBain furnished the Johannesburg club with their final opposition.

Emerson Hoesli assisted in the A. & P. Meat Market last Friday and Saturday, while Harry Weiss and Buddy Sorenson helped in the gro-

cery store. Fire that caught from an electric wire in the furnace room at Mercy Hospital at noon today gave the

Dough

1/3 cup sugar

[/] cup water

egg, large

1/2 cup sugar

egg yolk

teaspoon salt:

31/2 to 4 cups bread flour

envelope Rapid Rise Yeast

1/3 cup butter or margarine

2/3 cup toasted ground pecans

Orange Pecan Filling

2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted



VOLUNTEER FIREMEN- MARCH 8, 1979 - who were recipients of awards this past Saturday night are pictured here (front row): left to right, Jim Gatrell, Bill Jacobs, Instructor from Alba, ML, Paul Smith, Dean Goss, Bob Golnick and Carl Golnick, Second row (left to right): Leonard Blackmer, Area Coordinator for the Fire Fighter's Training Council, Tony Doremire, Joe White, Dave Reisinger, Frank Barber and Phillip Alber, Training Council

Back row: John Wilcox, Loren Goodale, Duane Brooks, Fred Reichelderfer and Dan Schrock, Missing at the time the picture was taken, but completing the course, was Bob Annis.

Sisters and other attendants a bad scare. However, it was discovered in

time to be easily extinguished. Coach Willard Cornell spent Monday in Petoskey, attending a meeting of the coaches, whose teams will enter the tournament there this weekend. In the drawing for the first game to be played by the Grayling team, Harrisville was drawn, this team will meet with our boys this afternoon. Gaylord runners-up, drew Harbor Springs for their opener.

92 Years Ago March 9, 1910

Fred Alexander will sing one of his excellent solos at the Band concert.

Supt. C.A. Whitney was called to West Branch last Friday night to act as one of the judges in the high school oratorical contest.

Frank Calkins, proprietor of the Gaylord Telephone Exchange, was a business visitor to our fair town last

RECIPE OF THE

Orange Glaze

2 tablespoons sugar

1 tablespoon grated orange peel

2 tablespoons fresh orange juice

In a large bowl, combine I cup flour, sugar, undissolved

yeast, and salt. Heat milk, water, and butter until very

warm (120" to 130"F). Gradually add to flour mixture.

Beat 2 minutes at medium speed of electric mixer, scrap-

ing bowl occasionally. Add egg, egg yolk, and I cup

flour; beat 2 minutes at high speed. Stir in enough

remaining flour to make a soft dough. Knead on lightly

floured surface until smooth and elastic, about 8 to 10

2 tenspoons grated orange peel

1/4 cup butter or margarine

Mesdames A.L. Pond and Hugh Oaks have been elected delegates to the county convention of the L.O.T.M.M. to be held in Vanderbilt in the near future.

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County Clerk J.J. Collen spent part of last week in Detroit, returning Sunday. Deputy clerk J. J. Neiderer attended to the office during his absence.

Our high school basketball team was defeated by a score of 36-20 on Friday evening of last week by the Boyne City High School team.

Supt. Whitney reports the school enrollment at present to be about 450.

We learn that ex-village Marshall Chas. Stanard is the new proprietor of the Lon Collen restaurant, having leased the same and taken possession the first of last week.

E.W. Miller of Lovells came in Monday with a brace of fine duck, the first day of the season.

Divide dough into 2 equal portions; roll each portion to

40-inch circle. Brush with melted butter; sprinkle with

Orange Pecan Filling, Cut each into 12 pie-shaped

wedges. Roll up from wide end; curve ends to form cres-

cents. Place in rows, with points down, in greased 13 x

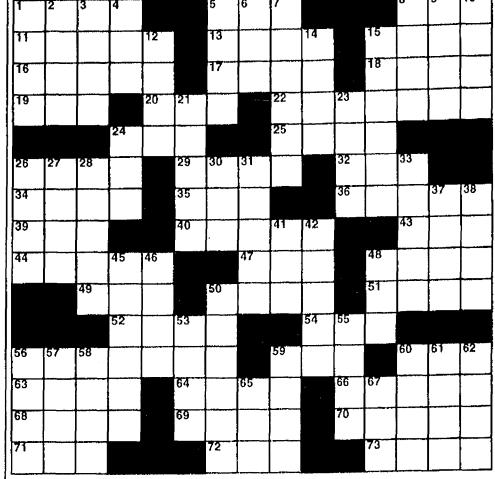
9-inch baking pan. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free

Bake at 350°F for 25 to 30 minutes or until done, Drizzle

Orange Pecan Filling: In a small bowl, combine pecans,

Orange Glaze: In a small saucepan, combine butter,

sugar, orange juice, and orange peel. Bring to a boil, stir-



59. Black tropical American

64. Long, fluffy scarfs made

approves food: abbr.

70. Cubes of meat marinated

and cooked on a skewer

kosh, near Lake

3. The compass point that is

6. Local Area Network: abbr.

7. Eliminates, as with a pen-

one point E of NE

9. The highest point of

10. Supplements with difficul-

something

12. Partial: prefix

of fur or feathers

cuckoo

66. Political plot

Winnebago

73. Famed astronaul.

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1. Afrikaans

2. Capable

4. Dined

8. Robert

Nathan

72. Fluid that seeps out of

68. Refer to

60. "The

63. Aid

ACROSS

- 1. Source of the Blue Nile
- 5. Pub order 8. Own (Scottish)
- Encourages
- 15. Tackle the quarterback 16. Edward ____, author
- 17. Type genus of the
- 18. Domesticate 19. General Robert E.
- 20. Woman (French)
- 22. Nasal cavilies
- 24. Go quickly 25. Employee Stock
- Ownership Plan: abbr. 26. Chadic 29. Back talk
- 32. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
- 35. Cobra used by Pharaohs as a symbol of their
- power over life and death 36. Got up

34. Highly excited

- 39. Pirate's liquor 40. Short-billed rails
- 43. Steal 44. Holds sacred stone
- Dhabi, Arabian capi-
- 48. Cause injury with a knife
- 49. Common tool having a toothed blade for cutting
- 50. Turkish leaders' titles
- **51**. Pubs
- 56. Alike
- 52. College army
- 54. Sound of understanding

- 15. Grogginess 21. Plateaus
 - 24. An ugly, evil-looking old

14. Egyptian goddess

- 23. Gangrenous inflammation
- Association

61. Jail

abbr.

62. Czech River 65. American Dental

26. Author of the 2nd Gospel

of Christ

species

Japan

37. Glide

38. Falloffs

28. Material bodies

27. Largest known toad

30. Volcanic mountain in

31. Supports mine roof

33. Main artery in the heart

41. A fabric woven from goat

45. A white or colorless min-

46. Absent Without Leave:

Association: abbr.

50. Down's partner in cross-

55. Not very sophisticated

or interested in culture

regions having long, slen-

der, down-curved bills

58. Methodist: shortened form

60. Swedish rock group with

hit album entitled "Gold"

59. As fast as can be done:

military abbr.

A profane state

56. New England river

57. Wading birds of warm

48. Small Business

words

eral (BaSO4) used as a

main source of barium

8. Anthony, American

and came! hair

feminist

- 67. Sound that expresses

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

Orange Pecan

Crescents

Can you find 5 different toys in this



DID YOU KNOW?

In some parts of Scotland, it was considered bad luck to sing while baking bread.

minutes. Cover, let rest 10 minutes.

place until doubled in size, about 4 hour.

with Orange Glaze while warm.

sugar, and orange peel. Mix well.



For the Week of March 7, 2002



January 19

picture?

information is accurate before making a major ourchase. Get the facts before you act! Spend time around the house and catch up on chores. A situation you've

been avoiding turns

people may lead you

to new feelings and

out for the better.

New places and

Make sure your



March 21-April 19

lt is not a good. time for you to take on additional responsibilities. Fulfill your obligations and take care of any small problems. Remember health and diet plans,

Many tasks need your

attention-don't try

to tackle everything

at once. Prioritizing

will help you get

more done. Look



Focusing all your time and energy on one area of your life may lead to conflict. Make adjustments for friends and family. Take some quiet time for yourself.

You get the chance

opinions. It's time

for plain speaking.

Knowing what goes

on behind the scenes

to express your



September 23-

October 22

something new or 👹 head out in a new direction. Remember yourself.

> out and you mak your mark in a s**ix ci** way. You have the right ideas and gel support you need to carry them out. Be ready for a blast from

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Examine your budget

closely and make any

necessary cutbacks.

Success is found not

in what you have

Patience pays off.

but in who you are.

A difficult situation gets resolved and it's

time to move on. Try

Adopt a Pet





wearing a smile. Very friendly and happy. There are many dogs and cats waiting for adoption at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. Please call 348-4117 for more information on Ryan or any other animal. Remember that all pets adopted from the Animal Shelter of Crawford County receive FREE health insurance for the first two months in their new home. The insurance covers most dis-

eases common to animals that come from shelters and even some accidents that may occur after you take them home. All you have to do is call and 800 number to activate it when you take your new pet home. A low-cost nail clipping clinic is planned for Sunday, March 10 at Northern Tails groomer on Michigan Avenue in Grayling (across from the hospital). Pet owners can bring their cats, dogs, ferrets, lizards, parrots, etc. for a good nail trimming for only \$5, with all proceeds going to help the homeless animals in our county. For more information, call Janet at 344-9999.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at

508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall Winter Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9am - 1pm; Sun. and Holidays 8am - 11am

After hour appointments available.



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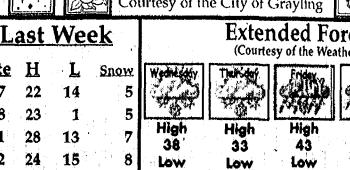
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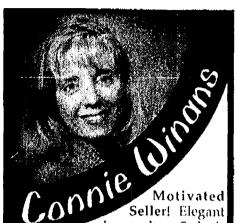
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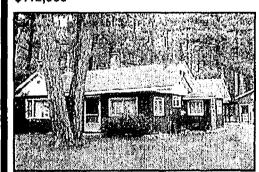


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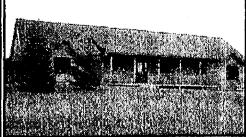
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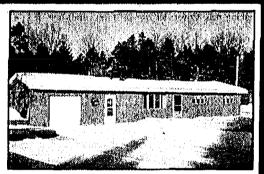
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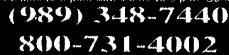
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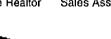
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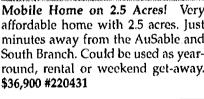


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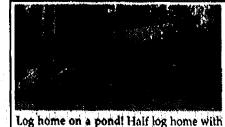


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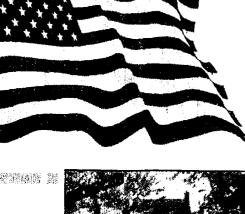
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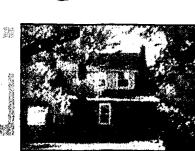


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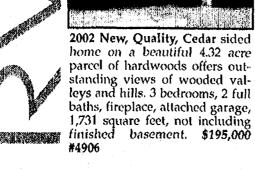




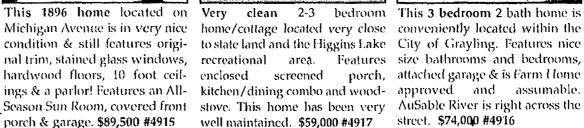




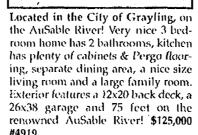














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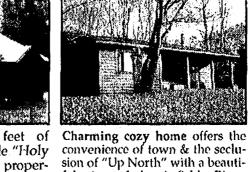
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8. Announcements



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9. Personals

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9. Personals

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9. Personals

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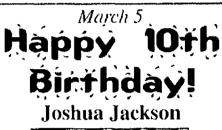
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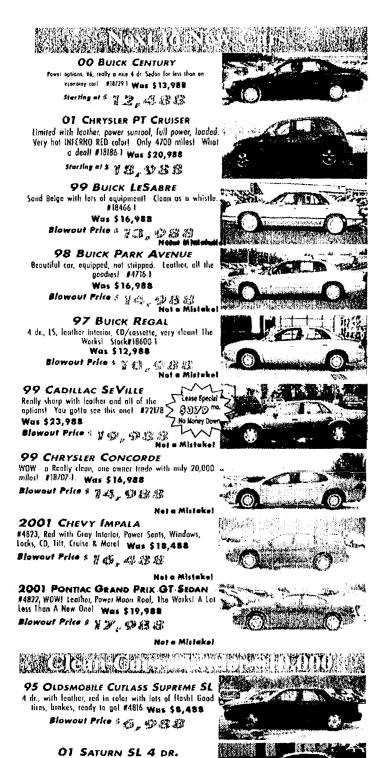
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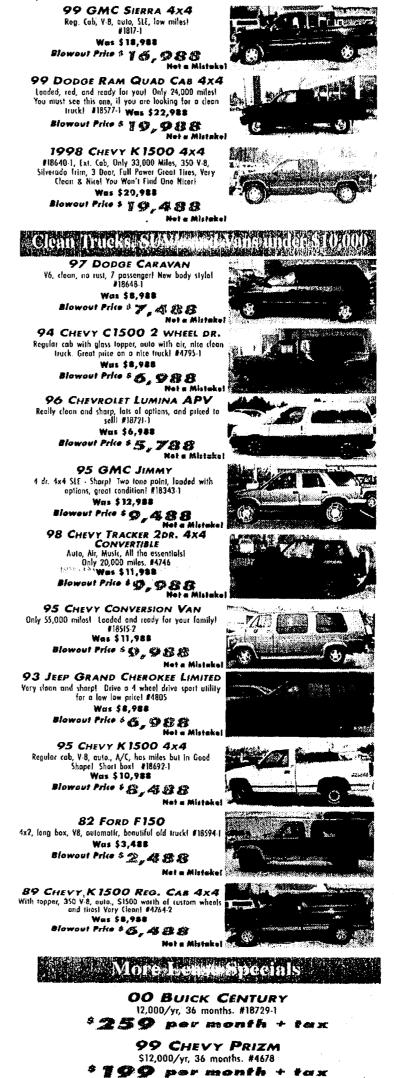
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